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Date of Sailing. 1904 Saturday, 3 P.M.	Steamer.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with.	Tons.
24th Dec	PERSIA	7951		
31st ,,	CALEDONIA	7558	MOLDAVIA	9300
1905.				
7th Jan.	ARABIA	7903		
14th ,,	ARCADIA	6003	VICTORIA	6323
21st ,,	ORIENTAL	5294		
28th ,,	CALEDONIA	7558	HIMALAYA	6585
4th Feb.	EGYPT	7912		
11th ,,	ARCADIA	6003	INDIA	7911
18th ,,	CALEDONIA	7558		
25th ,,	PERSIA	7951	BRITANNIA	9525
4th Mar.	MACEDONIA	10513		
11th ,,	ARCADIA	6003	MONGOLIA	9305
18th ,,	ARABIA	7903		
25th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	OCEANA	9810
1st April	PERSIA	7951		
8th ,,	ARCADIA	6003	MARMORA	10309
15th ,,	EGYPT	7912		
22nd ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7912
29th ,,	CALEDONIA	7558		
6th May	ARCADIA	6003	MOLDAVIA	9300
13th ,,	MACEDONIA	10513		

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VILLE de la CIOTAT	6,630	Fiaschi	23rd Feb 1905.
YARRA	4,255	X	23rd March 1905.
NERA	5,807	Chevalier	20th April 1905.

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NERA	5,807	Chevalier	3rd Feb. 1905.

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SCINDIA	S. Abrey	5,106	24th ,,	,,

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* † CHINA	S. Tomanovich	6,000	23rd Feb. 1905
AUSTRIA	R. Colledani	7,588	29th Mar. 1905

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By Order of the Board,
J. BEGBIE,
Secretary and Treasurer.
Bombay, 22nd December, 1904.

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C. CROMMELIN,
General Traffic Manager.
General Traffic Manager's Office, Bombay, 22nd December, 1904.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

Suit No. 871 of 1904.

(1) BAI TAMOOBAI, widow of KHIMJI HARI and (2) PREMDAS KHIMJI, both of Bombay, Bhatia Hindu Inhabitants, residing at Vithalwadi without the Fort ..... Plaintiffs,

vs,

BAI MANECKVAHOO, widow of NARRONDAS KANJI, also of Bombay, Bhatia Hindu Inhabitant, residing at Vithalwadi without the Fort ..... Defendant.

PURSUANT to the Provisions of Section 99 of the Civil Procedure Code. Notice is hereby given that the abovenamed Plaintiffs have filed this Suit in the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, on the 19th day of December, 1904, on behalf of themselves and all other creditors of the estate of Narrondas Kanji, deceased, against the defendant abovenamed praying inter alia.

(a) That the estate of the said deceased Narandas Kanji may be administered by and under the directions of this Honourable Court and his debts paid rateably among his creditors.

(b) That judgment may be passed for the plaintiffs for Rs. 6056-14 with interest thereon at 6 per cent per annum from the 16th day of December, 1904.

(c) That Mr N G Mankad, may be appointed Receiver in this Suit to hold the said estate for the benefit of all the creditors of the said deceased and that in the meantime he may be appointed such Receiver and

(d) That the plaintiffs may have such further or other relief as the nature of the case may require and that the hearing of this suit has been fixed for the 10th day of January 1905—Dated this 21st day of December, 1904.

L. N. BANAJI,
Prothonotary.

The Seal of the High Court of Bombay.

A. M. KAJJI,
The 21st day of December, 1904.

Messrs. PESTANJI RUSTIM & KOLA,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

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A. MUIRHEAD,
General Traffic Manager.
Bombay, 24th November, 1904.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

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A. MUIRHEAD,
General Traffic Manager.
Bombay, 24th November, 1904.

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On SATURDAY, the 14th January, 1905, at 4 p. m., Messrs MEHRJEE JOHNSTON & Co. will, by order of the Trustees for the Debenture-holders of the Sorab Manufacturing Company, Limited, in pursuance of the powers vested in them under an Indenture of Trust dated 5th July, 1897, put up for sale by Public Auction at the Company's Mill Premises at Dadur, the immoveable and moveable properties of the above named Company described below in the particulars of sale.

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J. BEGBIE,
Secretary and Treasurer.
Bombay, 22nd December, 1904.

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H. P. DIMMOCK, M. D. Lieut.-Colonel I.M.S,
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Bombay, 16th December 1904.

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THE Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, at the High Court, yesterday, disposed of the suit in which Haji Abdul Rehman Shirazi claimed to recover from Haji Bibi, widow of Aga Muchalsha; Haji Abdul Samadsha and Jalalsha sons of Muchalshas; and Sha Begam, daughter of the same, the sum of Rs. 21,688, on a mutual, open, current account. For the plaintiff appeared the Hon. Mr. Scott, with Mr. Lowndes instructed by Messrs. Ardeshir, Hormusji, Dinshaw and Company; for the defendants appeared Mr. Davar and Mr. Bahadurji, instructed by Messrs. Captain and Vaidya.

His lordship said Muchalsha died on 23rd May, 1903. The account on which his legal representatives, who had been brought on the record as party defendants, were now sued, was for three years of the Hijrian Era, namely, 1315, 1317 and 1318. The account for 1315 opened with a balance of Rs. 2,119 in Muchalsha's favour. After April 19, the balance turned in favour of plaintiff's firm and against Muchalsha, and it continued so till the close of the account, in which the suit was brought. The evidence called for the plaintiff proved that Muchalsha had objected to the account submitted to him, and he assented to its correctness. This evidence was not contradicted. The account sued on was a settled account which it was not open to the defendants to re-open, unless they proved one or two instances of mistake or fraud to justify the Court in suspecting its fairness and accuracy. This they had not done. Decree was passed in favour of the plaintiff for Rs 21,688, with interest at 9 per cent, and 6 per cent further interest on judgment until payment.

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ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.
XMAS EVE 5 p.m.—Evensong and Carols.
XMAS DAY SUNDAY, DEC. 25.

8-30—a.m.—Holy Communion.
7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Eyre in E flat.
Hymns—60, 60, 322, 595 and 558.
6 p.m.—Evensong.
Canticles—Stanford in B flat.
Anthem—Nazareth Sound.
Hymns—56, and Carols.
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CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, PAREL.
Christmas Tune)
Christmas Day.

7-30 a.m.—Holy Communion plain.
Wood's carol—Hymns 99 324 and 482.
5-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Carols.
Anthem—"Sing and Headrus."
Hymns—60, 3 and 42.

WESLEYAN CHURCH.
Christmas Day.

8 a.m.—Parade Service Preacher—Rev. C. Ryder Smith B. A.
6 p.m.—Evening Service. Preacher—Rev. C Ryder Smith B. A.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
5-40 p.m.—Prayer Meeting.
8-30 to 9-30 p.m.—Social Hour.
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9-30 a.m.—Preaching—Rev A. G. Reynell.
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8 p. m.—Solemn Evensong and Carols—Preacher Rev Father Langwerr.

Christmas Day.

6 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
8 a. m.—Holy Eucharist.
10 a.m.—Matins.
6 p. m.—Solemn Evensong and Chorals.
Alms for the Poor and the Easter Relief Fund.

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6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

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11 a. m.—United Service Christmas Service.
6 p.m.—Evening Service—Rev Alex S. Crichton.
Hymns—31, 45 and 42.
Psalm—100.

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11 a.m—Joint Morning Service in the United Free Church.
6 p.m.—Evening Service.
Psalm—65 Tune 144.
Hymn—31.
Hymn—246.
Hymn—309.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.
Christmas Day.

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
Hymns—60, 321 and 62.
11 a. m. —Matin and Sermon.
Hymn—56, 58, 60 and 482.
6 p.m.—Evensong.
Hymns—62, 55, 63if require.
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7 & 8 a. m.—Choral Celebration of the Holy Communion.
Hymns—59, 60, 322 and 482.
6 p.m.—Evensong, and Choral Sermon.
Hymns—38, 62 80 and 57.
Offertories during the day for European and Eurasian Poor Fund.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, MALABAR HILL.
Christmas Day.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.
Christmas Day—Sunday Dec. 25.

7-45 a.m.—Morning Prayer Holy Communion and Sermon.
4-30 p.m.—Service for the Young.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.
Collection for the Church Pastoral Aid Fund.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.
Xmas Eve.—Saturday December 24,

6 p. m.—Evensong Address and Carols.

Christmas Day—Sunday Dec. 25.

7 a. m.—Holy Communion—(plain).
7-45 a. m.—Matins.
8 a. m.—Holy Communion—(Choral).
6 p.m.—Evensong and Carols.

Monday Dec. 26th St Stephens Day.

7-45 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
Tuesday—27th St. John the Evening Day.
7-45 a.m.—Matins.
8 a. m.—Holy Communion.
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2 1-2 per cent. Consols	83 3-16	= — 1-16
2 „ do. Reduc	97 1-2	= unchanged
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan	105 1-4	= do
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	85 11-16	= do
SILVER—		
Spot in London	28 3-16	= + 1-16
2 months hence	27 5-8	= unchanged
Spot in New York	51 1-8	= do
EXCHANGES—		
Paris cheques	25-16	= do
Berlin	20 38 1-2	= — 3-4
New York Demand	4 87 1-4	= + 1-8
DISCOUNTS—		
Bank of England	3 per cent	= unchanged
3 months' sight Bank Bills	2 7-8 per cent	= do
„ „ Fine Trade Bills	2 7-8 per cent	= do
6 months' sight Fine Trade Bills	3 1-4 per cent	= do
INTEREST—		
Day to day loans	2 3-4 per cent	= + 1-8
7 day market loans	2 7-8 per cent	= + 1-8
SUGAR—		
German granulated 1st marks 15 3-4, N.-D., value, steady		
RUBBER—		
Para Rubber 5-8		
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Yellow Cawnpore M 1-2, D.-J., sellers easier		
Brown 32 D.-J. sellers easier		
LINSEED—		
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COTTON—		
Cotton in New York, 8 7-8		

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed easier. East Indian quiet, Manchester quiet. Total sales 6,000. Spot 4 03, Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 7 3-8. Sold on speculation and for Export 2,000. Imports 37,000. Futures closed easier.

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
3 93	3 96	4 01
unchanged	unchanged	uncharged
Mar.-April	April.-May	May June
4 02	4 08	4 11
unchanged	unchanged	unchanged
June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
4 14	4 16	4 18
+1	+1	+1

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Bengal (H.-G.) (Ry. terms)	171	161	25	Dec.
Bengal (H.G.) (Ry. terms)	168	158	25	Jan.
Comravatee description (M.-G.)	179	173	25	do
Khandish (M.-G.)		170	178	25 Dec.
Do. do.		172	166	25 Jan.
Khangaum fair staple (M.-G)	180	174	do.	do.
Karanja do. do. do.				
Akola do. do. do.				
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M-G)	182	176		25 Jan.
Nagpur Kamptee M. G.		184	178	25 Jan
Broach (M.-G.)		214	204	15/25 Mar.
Jalgaon (M. G.)			178	172 25 Dec.
Do. (M.-G.)			174	168 25 Jan.
Bengal (M. G.)			178	168 25 Dec.
Do.			171	161 25 Jan.
Sind-Punjab			138	178 25 Dec.
Do.			171	161 25 Jan.

SEED AND WHEAT.

LINSEED.—The market remained steady at Rs. 5-10 per cwt during the early part of the week, when a large business was put through for export. At the close the tone is easier and we close quiet but steady at Rs. 5-8 to Rs. 5-8-6.

RAPESEED.—Quotations for this article have shown little change since our last mail report. There was a small enquiry for Brown descriptions at Rs. 5-3 to 5-2-6 for Cawnpore and Rs. 5-3-6 for Delhi. Yellow Cawnpore is quoted Rs. 5-11.

POPPYSEED has continued in steady demand at Rs. 5-10 to Rs. 5-10-6 per cwt with a fair business passing daily.

MOWRASSED is unchanged and steady at Rs. 5 per cwt. Stocks are very small.

CASTORSEED has remained steady to firm at Rs. 25 to Rs. 25-8 per candy with a fair enquiry for ready delivery.

GINGELLYSEED.—This market was firm with a good enquiry from shippers. Suppliers are still only moderate and sellers continue averse to selling for forward delivery. We quote at the close.

White bold grain ... 85 per cent	Rs. 36-1-4 per candy
do do ... 75 do	Rs. 35-1-2 „
Mixed ... 60 do	Rs. 34-1-4 „
Black Kutnee	Rs. 32 „
Yellow Hingunghat	Rs. 42 „

WHEAT.—The market continues quiet but steady at about last mail's quotations. The enquiry from shippers has remained very small throughout the week. Further rains are reported in the wheat growing districts. We quote—

White Delhi	Rs 4 4
White Hathras	Rs 4-3

Week's Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay:—

Cotton	74,784 bales
Wheat	188,295 cwts
Linseed	42,955 „
Rape, Rai and Mustard	37,641 „
Gingellyseed	116,639 „
Poppyseed	823 „
Groundnuts	2,393 „
Castorseed	2,957 „
Rice	75,193 „
Myrabolams	18,018 „
Cottonseed	135,112 „
Mowraseed	5,761 „
Gram	20,382 „
Joowar	32,916 „
Maize	3,339 „

SEEDS—

Linseed.—Tone weak.	Rs.	a.	p.
Ready	5	7	0 to 5 7 6
Rapeseed.—Tone quiet,			
Brown Cawnpore, Ready.	5	1	
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready	5	11	
Yellow Guzerat, Ready	5	11	
Poppyseed.—Tone quiet.			
Ready	5	10	0
Castorseed—Tone quiet,			
Ready	25	1-2	
GINGELLYSEED.—Tone steady.			
Howree Khandesh	Rs. 36 3-4 to 37		
15 per cent Mixed	Rs. 36 1-2 to 3-4		
25 per cent „	Rs. 33 3-4 to 35		
50 per cent „	Rs. 34 1-2 to 3-4		
Black Kutnee	Rs. 32		

FREIGHT.

This market was inactive during the week. For December shipment some small lots of measurement were booked at 17s. to 17s. 6d., according to port required, and sellers are quoting the same rates at the close. For the New York, sellers are asking 18s. 6d., for seeds and buyers offer 18s. 3d. Business is more or less at a standstill in view of the approaching holidays.

Fixtures reported since last mail are as follows:—
Steamer "Orfel" Dec.-Jan. at 16 per cent. 1 p.p.
Do. "Roker" do. at 15 do. 1 p.p.

MONEY.

BANK RATE.—

Past of England since	21st April	3	per cent.
Bank of Bombay do	20th October	5	do
Bank of Bengal do	10th November	6	do
Bank of Madras do	6th July	4	do

The following is the Weekly Statement of the Bank of Bombay for the week ending 17th December as compared with that of the previous week.

LIABILITIES.	Rs.	
Public Deposits	3,27,318	Decrease
Other Deposits	9,77,429	Increase
Sundries	67,479	do
ASSETS.		
Government Securities ...	23,137	Increase
Other Authorized Securities ...	2,070	Decrease
Credits on Securities	4,01,317	Decrease
Loans do.	9,251	Decrease
Bills discounted & purchased ...	13,09,821	Increase
Balance with other Banks ...	2,35,239	do.
Sundries	3,040	do.
Cash	12,24,993	Decrease

These figures show an increase in the Trade Demand of 7·37 lakhs.

The Bank of Bengal weekly cash balance shows a rise of 12 lakhs, and that of the Bank of Madras a fall of 6 1/4 lakhs. There is again no change to record in the official rates of the three Presidency Banks. The local money market continues easy. The last China mail steamer brought to Bombay some 33 1/2 lakhs gold in sovereigns and bullion from Australia. The closing quotation for short fixed deposits for two months is 3 per cent per annum and for three months 3 1-2 per cent per annum.

PAPER CURRENCY RESERV

The following are the latest returns as published in the "Gazette of India" for the 7th December:—

Silver coin	Rs. 11,29,72,991
Gold coin and bullion	Rs. 15,19,67,851
Silver held as security	Rs. 1,57,30,287

Total of notes in circulation, Rs. 38,46,41,073.

COUNCIL BILLS.

The total amount of Council Bills sold during the week ending on Tuesday evening was 81'40 lakhs. At the weekly allotment on Wednesday seventy-one lakhs was put up for tender and of this amount 53 70 lakhs was taken in bills at 1s. 4 1/16d. and 17 30 lakhs in telegraphic transfers at 1s. 4 3-32d. tenderers at these rates receiving 20 per cent. For the next week, the amount advertised for allotment is again increased to eighty lakhs. No extra allotments have been advised since Wednesday.

The mail of the 9th December brings £230,000 silver, and £40,000 gold, for Bombay, and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta	Rs. 34,00,000
Bombay	„ 32,90,000
Madras	„ 5,70,000
Total	Rs. 72,60,000

The mail of the 16th December brings £100,000 silver, and £50,000 gold, for Bombay, and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta	Rs. 39,50,000
Bombay	„ 18,20,000
Madras	„ 2,10,000
Total	Rs. 59,80,000

This steamer also brings £40,000 silver, and £10,000 gold for Calcutta.

The mail of the 23rd December brings £10,000 silver, and £50,000 gold, for Bombay, and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta	Rs. 38,20,000
Bombay	„ 15,60,000
Madras	„ 0,00,000
Total	Rs. 53,80,000

This steamer also brings £150,000 silver and £40,000 gold for Calcutta.

EXCHANGE.

In the sterling exchange market there is a slightly easier tone. There is no actual change in quotations, but banks are not selling at Rs. 1s. 4 3/32d. the demand forward being for Rs. 1s. 4 1/16d. at the same rate, the 10th January is the earliest now obtainable. For further forward we quote 1s. 4 1/16d. March 1s. 4 1/32d. April and possible, 1/4d. May, with 1s. 3 31/32d. for the monsoon months. In mercantile paper 3 months' sight D.A. credits can be placed at 1s. 4 1/4d. for the mail and 1s. 4 9/32d. for January. The enquiry from both buyers and sellers is still very meagre, and the supply of bills is said to be quite nominal.

Exchange—Tone quiet but steady.

Bank T. T.				1s 4 1-16d.
Bank Demand				1s. 4 3-32d.
Bill at Sight	3 Months' Sight	D. A.	1s. 4 9-32d.	
Do	6 do	do	1s. 4 13-32d.	
French Francs	3 do	do	170 3-4	
Marks	3 do	do	138 1-4	
Hongkong	30 Days' Sight		136 1-2	
Shanghai	30 do	do	193	
Japan	30 do	do	148	

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

A very optimistic article in our local contemporary on the future of rupee paper published on the 17th instant caused some excitement in this market. Cash paper advanced to Rs. 98-6 and for the settlement to Rs. 98 4. At the close the tone is quite. A large business has been passing during the week and we close at the following rates:—

3 1-2 per cent. cash	Rs.	97	14 0
3 1-2 per cent 5th January	Rs.	97	14 0
3 1-2 per cent 1st February	Rs.	97	13 0
3 per cent. ready	Rs.	88	8 0

	Repayable.	Rate	
4 per cent Bomba Port Trust	1923	104	12
4 per cent „ „	1930	105	0
4 per cent „ „	1932	105	0
4 per cent „ „	1934	105	0
4 per cent Bombay Municipal	1934	104	12
4 per cent „ „	1943	104	12
5 per cent „ „	Taxes	110	117
5 per cent „ „	Sanitary	110	113
4 per cent Bo. Impt. Trust	1959	103	12
4 per cent „ „	1964	103	12

BULLION.

The tone of the silver market has been irregular and prices have fluctuated between Rs. 72-4 to 8, 71-8 X.D. The Banks have sold about £100,0 0, principally for the January settlement. The up-country demand is moderate. Closing prices are as follows:—

	Rs. a. p.
English Bar Gold	23 15 3
Australian Bar Gold	23 15 6
Bombay Mint	24 0 0
Egyl Shield Sovereigns	15 3 6
Do Dragons	15 0 0
Silver ex-duty Ready	71 7 0
Do. 1st settlement	71 2 0
Do 2nd do	71 2 0

PIECE GOODS.

Prices are for the most part unchanged, but goods are moving very slowly, owing to the absence of demand from up-country. There is no enquiry for new business.

METALS.

The Copper and Yellow market are steady in sympathy with home advices. About 200 bundles of Yellow metal sold, but at £58/10 to £59 against £62 to £63 quoted from home. The iron and steel markets are also steady but owing to large stocks, very little is doing forward as dealers make their offers much below home equivalents. Quicksilver and Pig lead are steady at a decline with nothing doing. Spelter is firm with no enquiry from buyers.

LOCAL YARNS.

This market was very quiet during the past week with prices a shade easier. To-day there is no enquiry. Since our last report the following sales are reported:—

4,000 Bales 10's, at Rs. 3-12 to Rs. 6-0
6,000 Do. 20's, at Rs. 6-9 to Rs. 6-13

COALS.

The coal market is quiet. Small sales are reported of Seebpore at Rs. 1 1/4 ready and of Davison's West Hartley shortly due at Rs. 12/8.

SHARES.

The market is steady and Mill shares are improving in prices. Bank of Bombay shares are steady at Rs. 1,300. Commercials are quiet at Rs. 33. In Railway Companies Ahmedabad Prantej are unchanged at Rs. 502 1/2. Tapty Valley are quiet at Rs. 362 1/2. Ahmedabad Dholka are reported to have changed hands at Rs. 97. In Mill shares, Central Indias have changed hands at Rs. 1,555. Swadeshis are quiet at Rs. 945. Colaba Land and Mill shares are steady at Rs. 475; Chinas are unchanged at Rs. 625. Currimbhais at Rs. 715. Bombay United Mill shares have changed hands at Rs. 337 1/2, City of Bombay Mill shares have jumped up to Rs. 1,300 and are in demand at the rate. Davids are unchanged at Rs. 250, Standards at Rs. 500. Hindustan Mill shares have improved to Rs. 495. Western Indias to Rs. 395. Indian Manufacturing to Rs. 540, Indo China Mill shares to Rs. 500. James Greaves Mill shares have changed hands at Rs. 2331. Leopolds at Rs. 80. Lakhmidas mill shares are steady at Rs. 380. Manekji Petits have gradually improved to Rs. 2,370. Morarjis are steady at Rs. 1,960. Sholahpurs have changed hands at Rs. 2,100. New Great Easterns have improved to Rs. 100. Queen mill shares have ruled at and about Rs. 600. Ripons have jumped up to Rs. 560 and Sassoon mill shares to Rs. 800. Southern Marathas have improved to Rs. 162 1/2, Kohinoors are reported to have changed hands at Rs. 437 1/2 and Luxmi Cotton mill shares at Rs. 1,050. In Press Companies Mofusils are unchanged at Rs. 517 1/2. New Beraes at Rs. 517 1/2. Indian Cotton at Rs. 147 1/2. Prince of Wales Press shares have changed hands at Rs. 440. In Miscellaneous list, Bombay Bazmas are unchanged at Rs. 8,000. Badham Piles have changed hands at Rs. 158. Treachers are steady at Rs. 530. Kemps are unchanged at Rs. 245. Bombay Telephone at Rs. 26 1/4. The rest are unchanged.

INDIAN CROP PROSPECTS.

RICE.

The second general memorandum on the rice crop of the season 1904 05 in Bengal, Burma, and Madras is as under:—

In Bengal the area sown with autumn rice this year is estimated to be 7,236,400 acres as compared to 7,088,800 acres last year and the normal area of 7,701,800 acres. The rainfall was unseasonable and ill-distributed and in many parts of Behar heavy rain and floods did considerable damage to the crop. Taking 60 per cent of a normal crop as the proportional yield of the year, the gross outturn of cleaned autumn rice is estimated at 42,001,000 cwt against 41,634,800 cwt of last year.

For winter rice, also the season has been an unfavourable one, though sowings were over a larger area than last year. The crop suffered from drought from the middle of September, but in Behar it was to a great extent saved by good rain in the later part of October. A flood in Bengal in November did considerable damage to the standing crop, while the rest of the Province continued to suffer from the drought. The revised estimate of the normal area under winter rice is 30,752,000 acres and the area sown this year 30,217,000 acres against 27,395,500 acres sown last year. Taking the provincial estimate of the yield at 80 percent of a normal crop, the gross outturn should amount to 283,391,700 cwt of cleaned rice as against 271,721,000 cwt finally estimated last year.

In Burma the area under rice in the fifteen principal rice-growing districts is now reported to be 6,740,100 acres, or a decrease of about 21,900 acres below last year's estimate. The damage done by the floods is reported to be 203,000 acres. The rainfall in the first half of November was most beneficial but high wind did some damage in Maubin, while a cyclone reduced the crop in Akyab by one-eighth. Prospects continue to be generally satisfactory, and an outturn 5 per cent below normal is expected. The surplus available for export is estimated to be 2,243 300 tons of cargo rice, equivalent to 38,809,492 cwt of cleaned rice.

In Madras the area under rice in the ryotwari villages up to the end of November last is estimated at 5 333,000 acres, which is 1 per cent less than the quinquennial and decennial averages and 8 per cent below the area in the corresponding period of last year. The decrease, which occurs in all the districts except Ganjam and the West Coast, is marked in Godavari, Cuddapah, the Carnatic and Central districts, and Madura, and is due to the failure of rains during the year. The crop is withering for want of rain in several districts but at present the average outturn for the whole reported area of the Presidency is estimated at 75 per cent of the normal.

EXORBITANT ASSESSMENT OF LAND.

At the High Court yesterday, Sir Lawrence Jenkins, Chief Justice, and the Hon. Mr. Justice Batchelor, delivered judgment in the appeal preferred by the Collector of Bombay from a judgment of the Hon. Mr. Justice Batty in the suit brought by Jacab Issac David, in respect of an enhancement of the ground rent of certain land purchased by him in Military Square Lane, Fort, on 17th September 1874. The land the plaintiff purchased with another 282 square yards at an uniform rate of assessment of six "reas" per square yard per annum. On 31st July 1899, he received a notice from the Collector that assessment at the rate of Rs. 1-8-0 per square yard per annum had been fixed on the 291 yards. The Hon Mr. Justice Batty passed a decree for the plaintiff with costs. His Lordship held that the plaintiff had a right to hold the whole of his land, viz., the 291 square yards with another 282 square yards at an uniform rate of assessment of six "reas" per annum, and the defendant had no right to increase it. In so far as for as the levy exceeded that rate, it was erroneous and improper. The Hon. Mr. Scott, Advocate General, with Mr. Raikes, instructed by Mr. E. F. Nicholson, appeared for the appellant and the defendant; Mr. Lowndes and Mr. Srangman, instructed by Messrs. Ardeshir Hormusji, Dinshaw and Anay appeared for the plaintiff and respondent.

The Chief Justice delivered the judgment of the Court. His Lordship said that the land was quit and ground rent, and that the plaintiff had paid the assessment since the year 1877. It was now enhanced from Rs. 15 to Rs. 391. After referring to the plans of Colonel Leighton and Captain Dickinson, the Chief Justice said the plans of the latter had been adopted by the Collector's office, and therefore the two pieces of land were originally one property. The Collector's appeal was dismissed with costs.

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EUROPE.

BIRTH.

COBHAM—Nov 30, at Milbourne House, Barnes, wife of Capt W H Cobham, 32nd Lancers (Indian Army) of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BALDREY—WALMSLEY—Nov 29, at St Mary's Church, Regent's Park, Capt P S H Baldrey, Army Veterinary Dept (Civil employ India), son of the late Col Baldrey, 5th Dragoon Guards, to Bessie Hill, widow of T Walmsley of Heywood, Manchester.

CHATTERTON—MARSHALL—Nov 30, at St John's Church, Upper Norwood, Capt F B C Chatterton, Army Service Corps, son of Col F W Chatterton, C I E, of Central Lodge, Norwood, and Annie, daughter of W Marshall, A S, F R G S (late Indian Navy), of Mohamrah

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Palestrina, 2209 tons, Captain B Eilley arrived in harbour yesterday from Port Said 8th December in ballast.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Lhasa, 941 tons, Captain W H Rothwell sailed yesterday for Karachi with a general cargo and passengers.

THE B I S N Co' steamer Africa, 1301 tons, Captain N Donald sailed yesterday for Colombo with a general cargo and 94 deck passengers.

The steamer Griqua, 2,100 tons, Captain J. W. Anderson, arrived in harbour on Thursday from Delagoa Bay 7th December in ballast.

The City Line steamer City of Lucknow, 2,370 tons, Captain R. S. Miller, will sail to-day for Karachi with the same bottom cargo.

THE steamer Euristan, 2,173 tons, Captain D. J. Simpson, will sail to-day for Karachi, with the same bottom cargo.

THE P. and O. Co.'s steamer Magazon, 3,279 tons, Captain W. H. S. Hall, will sail to-day for Kobe, with a general cargo.

The German East Africa Line steamer Sultan, 1,781 tons, Captain E. Burmeisten, arrived in harbour, yesterday from 20th November via Zanzibar &c. with a general cargo and 29 deck passengers.

MAN-OF-WAR AND ROYAL INDIAN MARINE SHIPS.

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H S M Perseus	Comdr	Hill		RNavy
H M S Porpoise	Comdr	Fetham		Royal Navy
H M S Lapwing				Royal Navy
R I M S Comet	Comdr	Stocken		R I Marine
Torpedo Boat	Bhuchi			
Do	Karea			
Do	Pathan			

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—Dec. 23.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
I G T M Patrick		Stewart	Comdr	Sindall	Karachi	4-12
R I M S Elpuinstone		Comdr	Hudlestone	Aden	27-13	R I M
India	2501	Forbes				I G T Steamer.
Chusan	2842	Kerrick		China	26-12	P & O S N Co
Holumba	1807	Kilpatrick				M M & Co
Baron-Balfour	2262	Bridges			W & A Graham & Co
Scottish Monarch	2748	Patey				F Muir & Co
Caledonia	3529	Toque		Aden		P & O S N Co
Arrozo	2307	Plough				A Yuil
hden (tque)	4	3	outon			The Captain
Kaisar	595	Chiappoli				M M & Co
Baron Innerdale	2130		Crackul		W & A Graham & Co
Okara		3439	Fenwick			M M & Co
Landaura	2157	Farquharson				M M & Co
Oghla	539	Babb		Calcutta		9712 M M & Co
Marosa	451	Kelway			& S	K Nixon & Co
R I M S Investigator		Capt T H Heming			Surveying steamer
Goalpara	1953	Tipper		P Gulf		M M & Co
Arabia	4197	Leigh				P and O Co
Palestrina	2209	Eilley				
Bezwada	3270	Arcuschon				M M & Co
Sultan	1781	Burmister				A Sirandos

VESSELS IN DOCKS.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

A	City of Lucknow	2073	Miller	Karachi	24-12 K Nixon & Co
Q	Al Kon	1373	Thomas	Karachi	24-12 Ralli Bros
C & R	Clan O'Dell	1552	Simpson	Madras	7-1 F Muir & Co
D & E T H	Thomas n	2261	Garrick	Portsaid	1-1 R Bros
F	Pathia	2626	Neef	Karachi	23-12 J Mont & Co
G	Secondar	1073	Brouset	Mauritius	26-12 H S Stace &
H	Laura	2014	Cour	Genoa	2-1 W and A G & Co
K	Ujina	3426	Honeywood	Rangoon	20-12 M M & Co
R	Ponani	552	Mahomed	B Nagar	24-12 Shepherd & Co
E	Ashruf	2203	Newby	Jedah	23-12 H C Joosub
L	Kareri	844	Ahaed	Rangoon	Shepherd & Co
M	Ahmadi	1140	Hansen	Red Sea Ports	16-12 B & P S N Co

Alongside.

O	Lurlstan	3193	Simpson	Karachi	24-12 E Latham & Co
Q	Dardania	2655	Sclolotich	Hamburg	31-12 1 M & Co
M	Islami	1601	Hughes	H S P	26-12 B & P S N Co

Offside K

Ujina	3426	Honeywood	Rangoon		30-12 M M & Co

P. DOCK H. WALL.

Mahanadi	547	Hoselin	Mangiore	23-12 Sphd & Co
Satrunji	647	Ahmed	Karachi	24-12

M. DRY DOCK.

Nowshera	1361	Davy	Zanzibar	27-12 M M & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destinations.	Date.	Agent.
1	Director	3161	Bickerstaff	London	5-1	K Nixon & Co
2	Glyngila	3801	Anderson	Liverpool	4-1	W & A G & Co
7	Wensleydale	2503	Sharp	Antwerp	31-12	M M & Co
5	Massgon	2179	Bell	China	25-12	P & O S N Co
6	Oriel	517	Moldrell	N F	5-1	K Nixon & Co
7	Imperatrix	1358	Ghezzo	Trieste	11-05	A L S N Co
8	Langdale	2038	Kelly	Hull	21-11	K Nixon
9	Persia	3779	Craglietto	China	27-12	A A S N Co
10 & 11	Simla	3638	Summers	China	28-12	P & O Co
12	Persia	4193	Hanston	London	24-12	P & O Co
14	Linaan	2171	Rothwell	Karachi	23-12	M M & Co
15	Ellenia	2726	Soopmich	Trieste	5-1	A L S N & Co
16	Griqua	2100	Anderson	N F		J Mackintosh & Co

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel	Commander	From
22	Benwada s	Archdeacon	Calcutta Dec 12
	Griqua s	Anderson	Delagoa Bay Dec 7
23	Arabia s	Leigh	London Dec 2
	Palestrina s	Eilley	Port Said Dec 8
	Sultan s	durmeister	Durbar Nov 26

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessel	Commander.	Destination
23	Auchenorra s	Reid	Calcutta
	Africa s	Donald	Colombo
	Lhasa s	Rothwell	Karachi

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—

Steamer Luristan, Simpson for Karachi
" City of Lucknow, Miller for Karachi
" Mazagon, Hall, for Kobe &c

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday:—

Steamer Hostilius for Liverpool &c
" Palestrina for Liverpool &c Antwerp &c
" Griqua for Antwerp and Dunkirk
" Warfdale for Antwerp
" Tiger for Baltimore
" Banes for China &c
" Oriel for Liverpool Hull &c
" Marosa for Antwerp and Hull
" Dwarka for Karachi

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel.	From
15	Bullmouth	Batoum
17	Pongola	Calcutta
18	Muttra	London
16	Barrowfell	Antwerp
19	Gracchus	Melbourne
20	Bharata	Rangoon
18	Clan Mackay	Cossis
23	Clan Urquhart	Liverpool
20	Uriana	Rangoon

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P and O S N Co's steamer Macedonia arrived at Plymouth on the morning of the 22nd instant.

COLOMBO, DEC. 22.

The P and O Co's steamer Banca left here this afternoon and is expected to arrive in Bombay at 6 p.m. on Sunday the 25th December 1904.

The Austrian Lloyd's steamer China from Bombay arrived at Honukong on the 23rd instant.

The Florio-Rubattino Co's steamer Capri left Singapur for Bombay on 23rd instant.

THE WEATHER.

THE WEATHER AT SEA.

The P. and O. Co.'s mail steamer Arabia, Capt T. Leigh, which arrived in harbour yesterday from London, reports having encountered moderate monsoon and fine weather. The steamer Oriel, Captain G. Maddrell, which arrived in harbour on Thursday, from Mauritius experienced squalls and confused sea up to the 14th instant at latitude 8·20 degree S. and longitude 59·37 degree E., thence fine weather and moderate winds. The steamer Pelestrina, Captain R. Relley, which arrived in harbour to-day from Port Said had strong winds from Aden.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON FRIDAY, THE 23RD DECEMBER.

SUMMARY.

Pressure changes show a brisk fall in Sind, a brisk rise at Raipur, and a slight rise or fall elsewhere. The barometer varies but slightly everywhere.

Winds are variable in direction and the force has been moderate to light.

Temperature.—The greatest variations are:—Maximum 5° in excess at Bangalore and 5° to 8° in defect in Rajputana, the Punjab, United Provinces and at Bhuj, Neemuch, Gaugor, Hoshangabad, Jubbulpore, Ratnagiri and Goa; minimum 6° to 11° in excess at Hyderabad, Sholapur, Ahmednagar, Poona and Malegaon, and 7° to 9° defect at Neemuch, Bhavnagar Para and Jaipur. The highest temperature in the shade was 90° at Cochin and the lowest 39° at Jacobabad.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is cloudy at Mormugao and Cochin.

Rain.—Nil.

Weather is generally fine and settled in all districts.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague Attack.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	0	3
B Mandvi, Chukla, Momerkhadi and Dongri	3	7	21
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	5	5	19
D Khatwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahalaxmi	1	1	7
E Mazagon, Tarwady, and Nagapada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagapada	2	3	23
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	1	1	6
G Mahim and Worli	0	0	8
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	0	8
Total	14	17	96
Total plague deaths to date	277,909	220,080	
Same date last year	14	9	87

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ROUND ABOUT THE WORLD.

A book of travels, Mr. James Pinnock's Wander-Years Round the World (Fisher Unwin) records his and Miss Annie Bates' experiences from October 17th 1901 to the 23rd of May 1904, during which time they not only girdled the earth but made acquaintance with many lands and peoples on the way. Mr. Pinnock had behind him forty years of previous travel, undertaken in a business spirit. West Africa, and its rivers, the Mediterranean ports, Uruguay, Paraguay and the Argentine Republic were familiar to him, and he desired to complete his knowledge of the globe by leaving no continent and few countries unvisited. Miss Bates who had enjoyed many European tours proved equal to the three years' perpetual motion entailed in sharing Mr. Pinnock's wanderings. The book is written simply and frankly without any attempt at doing more than chronicle the surface impressions received in every land; it is nevertheless interesting. The illustrations are very numerous, and the maps help the reader in following the 50,000 mile-tour, these two intrepid travellers indulged in. They seem to have met with unvarying kindness everywhere; found that however far they went, progress was at work, and a degree of up-to-date comfort more the rule than the exception. Los Angeles, in Mexico, and Samoa seemed to have most fascination for them. At the former were found splendid hotels, luxury and cuisine exceeding anything previously met with. This need not be wondered at, for 300,000 admiring visitors have to be accommodated yearly, and all with wealth at command. Electric cars were running into the country fifteen or twenty miles in every direction. The roads were broad and planted with fine trees, the flowers excelling in beauty and abundance those of the Riviera or Italy—which seems almost incredible. The fruit and vegetables exhibited would appear monstrosities to stay-at-home Europeans, so magnificently developed, were they. Trainloads three times as long as trains in England, carry these luxuries all over the States. The ostrich-farm which was visited at Pasadena, 10 miles from Los Angeles, had 200 birds occupied in laying eggs or bringing up their young. Their food is largely oranges which they swallow whole without ill effects. Californian oil is a dollar a barrel, and needless to say the roads are the better of it, the oiling obviating dust and making excursions a joy. Here is a unique Orange Grove Avenue where a dozen millionaires reside, the scenery and fine climate attracting these knowing people. The Los Angeles fruit would need to grow well to pay the wages of its gardeners who, even in the rough, get thirty-five dollars a month and "all found," including meat three times a day; skilled men getting even higher pay. Men in the building trade get from 3½ to 5 dollars a day and servants in proportion. Houses and estates bring high prices.

The travellers tore themselves away from all the delights of Los Angeles and its affiliated towns and moved on to San Francisco, where a visit was paid to Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson, and a trip to Honolulu followed. Mr. Pinnock was surprised, we are not sure if it was agreeably, by finding the inhabitants not only not clothed as they had been in Capt. Cook's short day, but in the full enjoyment of dress-makers and fashion papers. Roast pig and native dishes had given way to first-class hotels with service as smart as in London. The ladies, he was pleased to observe, American. English and all others, rode astride with divided skirts. Grace, health and comfort seemed to result from casting aside the conventional side-saddle. Passengers leaving Honolulu are decorated with wreaths of flowers as in Bombay when any great man leaves our shores. Electricity is in full swing in the Sandwich Islands. Trams travel by its power up the Pacific heights, to an attitude of 900 feet, the whole length of the steep tramway road is lighted with incandescent lamps that look at night like a chain of gold hanging from fairy-land. A singular fact recorded by Mr. Pinnock, is that no passenger can leave one American possession to go to another except in an American vessel. A Republic can be arbitrary in its rules as well as an autocracy. A stay in Japan preceded a visit to Vladivostock, on the way to which the Hairy Ainu and his patron, the Rev. John Batchelor, F. R. G. S., a Missionary, were interviewed. Vladivostock was found bristling with guns, forts, earthworks, barracks, military and naval depots, which Mr. Pinnock declared it would have been imprudent to gaze at and sheer madness to sketch. Photography is forbidden. The soldiers looked as hard as nails and were grand specimens of mankind. Nevertheless they get little pay, about a shilling a quarter, or a penny a week per man. But they are fairly well fed. Hotel prices are high at Vladivostock, and the accommodation was found to be uncomfortable and the food unappetising. Mr. Pinnock noticed much of the encroachments of Japan in Korea and of Russia in Manchuria in 1902, and thought matters looked ominous. During the Chinese part of the tour, when many towns were more or less explored and rivers sampled, he was offered an opportunity of seeing twelve malefactors decapitated in the open, but he did not put in an appearance, though he secured a photograph of the men as they knelt ready to have their heads chopped off. At Hankow, he found that the chief Russian tea-firm had taken to mixing Ceylon tea with the China leaf in brick tea, consumers preferring it so. Five thousand tons of this brick tea are turned out annually by this firm and 10,000 tons of Congo tea. Dinners and tiffins, visits and drives testified to the hospitality of the Hankow residents. Mr Pinnock spoke much with all sorts of Chinese, while in China, and he warns England that it will not be long before a great rising against Europeans takes place He deduces this from what he learned of the oppressive levying of sums, nominally to pay the indemnity imposed for the outrage on foreigners in 1900. But four-fifths of what is collected is pocketed by the high officials themselves. The natives naturally look on the white devils as the cause, and don't mind dying in the effort to get rid of them. We shall see.

In New Zealand, the magnificent scenery, the mines, and Meat Packing works attracted much attention. At one of these last establishments 8,000 sheep and lambs are killed daily for export The rabbit plague is still hard at work in some New Zealand districts in spite of the most ruthless treatment and the most rigorous rules. Butter and cheese are exported in huge quantities from these islands, one ship in one trip taking to London two million and a half pounds of butter, and 275 tons of cheese. Australia, Tasmania, Ceylon, Burmah, and India received in turn ardent admiration. The Indian mounted police fetched Mr. Pinnock easily, surpassing as they did anything of the kind seen in England. He saw a Calcutta burning ghat and was seized with a desire that Government should build a Crematorium to do the work less publicly, but was pulled up by learning of caste and its iron rule. In Simla the prohibition of carriages on the hill, except for the Viceroy Commander-in-Chief and the Lieutenant-Governor struck this broad-mi ded traveller as a very arbitrary and unjust law, which should be abolished. Labour being cheap and plentiful on those sublime heights he held that substantial fences should be erected on the good roads. The cost of the Kalka-Simla Railway—160 lacs of rupees or one million sterling seemed "fabulous," in view of the cheap labour and the plenty of stone on the spot; we agree, with him about the railway being an expensive item, but the free driving of carriages in Simla would destroy the little charm left to that abode of the gods. Bombay was the last place visited before dropping down the coast to Goa, on the way to Mombasa and German East Africa, and Mr. Pinnock does not attempt an elaborate description of it. He and Miss Bates did the usual sights of Bombay, and highly approved of the Yacht Club, not forgetting to thank the friend that proposed Mr. Pinnock as member. Here on the lawn he saw and appreciated the fashionable dress of the ladies gathered together to drink tea. The "splendid pageant" organised to receive Lord Lamington "was carried out with brilliant ceremonial, and was thoroughly Oriental in its magnificence of effect" Mombasa proved to be a go-ahead thriving place, the railway, though not paying a dividend, nor likely to for many years, contributes to the progress of the country. Near Nairobi, Lord and Lady Delamere were found on a fine 100,000-acre ranche for which His Lordship pays a half-penny an acre per annum, or £8,333. His lion record is forty-nine, many of them killed in Somaliland. Government, this traveller thinks, should offer a capitation grant for every lion killed in the Great Rift Valley, where myriad herds of cattle, sheep, goats and big game feed; the lions follow the zebras and other animals, killing as they please, and are only killed themselves in the proportion of five or six a month. The farmers or settlers have no chance, surrounded by lions and hyenas. A sportsman has to pay £50 for his Government license and may not kill everything, for that. It only includes permission for the killing of two male elephants, and two of any other large game. In the Masai country, Mr. Pinnock's party got a lioness which had just killed a water-buck. For a quiet and unexciting account of a very long tour, a reader may do worse than embark on a perusal of the sober text of this handsome portly volume.

WOMEN AS LAWYERS.

MISS PANKHURST, who was recently refused permission to qualify for admission to the bar, is airing her grievances by lecturing of them. She spoke before the Manchester Athenæan Debating Society, the other day, and told her hearers exactly how she felt upon the subject. She thinks of the fight some of them are making to enter the legal profession, an attempt to remove one of the heavier of the disabilities to which the women of England are subject. She instanced as cases where obstacles had been raised, one of a lady who had taken the London degree of LL.B, but was not allowed to qualify as a barrister, and another of a lady in Scotland who, though not allowed to become a qualified law agent was yet doing a lawyer's work. She was the managing clerk of a busy lawyer, in fact his "right-hand man." In England, as Miss Pankhurst said, women are not even allowed to submit themselves for the preliminary examination in order to become students of the Inns of Court. There is no law which excludes women from the solicitor branch of the profession, as she contended. She supposes, however, that if they went before the judges to decide upon the words of the Act, they would find some way of deciding that the Act could not be construed to extend the right to women. "I suppose they think," Miss Pankhurst added: "What is the good of being a lawyer if you cannot twist the law to your own ends!" At all events, she contends there is no law against the admission of women to the legal profession, but there is the opposition of a very strong and determined trade union. Of course, in this country there would be more to be said in favour of Miss Pankhurst's contention that women ought to be lawyers that women may consult them than there is England. But lawyers out here are just as strongly opposed to the admission of the gentler sex to the craft as they are at Home. Miss Pankhurst certainly shows she knows how to make the most of a case, and she very quaintly argued that the theory of the English Constitution being that the people should be tried by their peers, women should be similarly tried by women. They are not relieved from any penalty for wrong doing, from any burden the law threw on citizens in general; yet if they have to come before the courts, they are not allowed to have their cases tried by a jury wholly or in part consisting of other women. nor is it ever possible that the judge upon the bench should be a woman, or that they should have women to represent them as counsel. It is extraordinary that this state of affairs has not worked more injustice than it had. It is a strange thing, she continued that in England, a country which had taught othes nations so much of liberty, should be so far behind in the admission of women to the profession of the law. In France, where women were in some respects behind these of England, they were admitted. So in Switzerland (in the Cantons of Geneva and Zurich) and in Italy. In Rome, a woman, who was an L.L.D., was a lecturer in law at the University. In the United States of America women had been long admitted. In nearly every State there were women lawyers, and not only were they ordinary lawyers, but sometimes got official positions. So they will in England, perhaps some day, but not yet.

THE MENTAL DEFFICIENCIES OF THE HORSE.

MAJOR ARTHUR HUGHES-ONSLOW, who is well-known in the home sporting world, has collected some interesting facts regarding "Equine Intelligence" which forms the subject of an entertaining article in the "Badminton Magazine." Of a horse's reasoning faculty he has a very poor opinion, and horses' lack of intelligence, he considers, is due to the fact that they are herbivorous animals. Carnivorous animals must employ their brains and so develop their intelligence far more than the herbivorous ones. To find and eat grass requires no great mental effort, while the ancestors of our domestic horses trusted to their legs rather than to a display of intelligence in order to escape from their enemies. The Major is of opinion that the wolf did much to improve the breed of horses by catching the slow animal and slow stayer, a perfectly reasonable, if somewhat startling, theory, as in that case the crippled mare and the roaring stallion were not left to propagate their species. Among other interesting things that Major Hughes Onslow says is that horses never seem to forget a place they have been to, and they have a good memory for people and other horses. It is in their absolute lack of common sense that their want of intelligence is most plainly shown. Ninety-nine horses out of a hundred lose their heads directly they are in trouble. Horses have a good memory and ear for music. This trait, says the Major, is shown "by the very accurate knowledge many chargers and troop horses have of the different trumpet calls used in the field and in barracks." A black mare that Major Hughes-Onslow rode for many years knew all those that concerned her as well as any man. On one occasion, he recounts, his wife was riding her and looking on at a field day. She happened to be cantering when the trumpet sounded "Halt!" The mare obeyed so promptly that the rider had all her work cut out to keep in the saddle. Another day the Major was riding the mare from Newbridge Barracks up to the Curragh Camp. As they got near the Curragh they could hear different trumpet calls and the noise of the regiments drilling, but could not see them. The mare took no notice till suddenly the massed trumpeters sounded the Major's regimental call; then the old mare stopped dead, threw up her head and neighed loudly and stepped off with her head and tail up in a splendid style which caused Lord Roberts to remark that she was the best looking charger he had ever seen. Memory is evidently the strongest mental attribute in the horse.

*** TO-MORROW being Christmas Day our offices will be closed and there will be no issue of the "Bombay Gazette" on Monday morning.

AMONG the passengers who arrived in Bombay, yesterday, from Europe, by the P. and O. Co's. Mail steamer Arabia, were:—Sir D. Abbertson, General Sir J. Fryer, Sir Patrick and Lady Playfair, Sir Carne Rasch, Lady Mary, and Sir Henry Stephen.

THE Shahgassi Mahomed Sarwar Khan, Governor of Kabul is said to have received orders to proceed at once to Herat to relieve Kazi Saad-ud-Din of the Governorship of the Province. This change was mentioned by us some days ago as likely to take place. Saad-ud-Din is said to be in poor health.

THE Government of Madras have ordered that in the case of Municipalities which are not divided into wards the half-yearly lists of vehicles and animals liable to tax submitted by the members of the out-door staff should be scrutinised by the Chairman himself or such of the Councillors as may be deputed by him for the purpose.

THE replies of the Local Governments regarding the nickel coinage have now reached the Government of India. There is a general approval of the idea, and it now only remains to obtain the formal approval of the Secretary of State. It is hoped to get the necessary legislation put through during the current Calcutta Session.

FROM the 10th to the 16th instant, 6 East Indians, 12 Native Christians, 293 Hindus, and 33 Mahomedans died within the limits of Madras, making a total of 344, the death-rate being 35·1 per mille and the mean for the ten previous years being 33·3. The deaths are thus classified:—Small-pox 1, fevers 101, bowel complaints 46, and other causes 196.

THE deputations from Patiala, Jhind and Nabha have been cordially received by the Viceroy. Colonel Abdul Majid Khan, the Foreign Minister of Patiala, was asked by His Excellency to introduce all the members, after which Lord Curzon made minute inquiries about the Chiefs of the States, famine, plague and other matters. The Patiala, deputation will pay visits to Lord Kitchener and Sir Andrew Fraser before returning to the Punjab.

A VERY interesting account appears in the latest number of the "Journal" of the Asiatic Society of Bengal of "The Ancient Assamese Fostifications and the Legends relating thereto." The authors are Mr. Walter N. Edwards and Mr. H. H. Mann. These remains were discovered in the first instance near Sadiya by Captain Dalton. But the discovery was soon lost sight of and no knowledge of them existed amongst the local planters or even the Assamese till one of the gentlemen mentioned above stumbled on them whilst out shooting in the forest near the Burei river. The fortifications are to be found just over the boundary line in the Dafla country and consist for the most part of faced sandstone blocks put together with great precision.

IT was noticed some time ago that the Amir of Kabul had ordered the enlistment of a large number of men in order to raise the strength of his army and thus to permit of an increase of the garrisons holding the northern and western provinces. We now hear that 20,000 recruits have been enrolled and orders have recently been issued to equip them with winter uniform and arm them with breech-loading rifles. The majority are to proceed to Herat and Afghan Turkistan. They will receive one month's pay in advance before marching for their destinations. The contingent for Herat will be commanded by Brigadier-General Nabi Khan, son of the late Ghulam Hyder who was Commander-in-Chief at Jellalabad during the reign of the Amir Abdur Rahman.

A MOVEMENT is on foot in Ireland for the rehabilitation of Gaelic. Speeches are even to be made in that tongue at public gatherings of a social kind. There is to be a badge for such erudite speakers. It is fitted as a brooch for ladies and with a solitaire back for gentlemen, is of neat design, with a Brian Boru harp in gold in the centre on a green ground, enriched by a border of white, bearing the following inscription:—"Labhraim Teanga na nGaedheal." The following pledge is taken by all those wearing the badge:—"Geallaim na labharfad feasta le Gaedhilgeoiribh acht amhain i dTeangain na nGaedheal." As it listens to these mysterious accents, the average Irish meeting tries to assume an air of proper solemnity.

ICE-BREAKING ships appear to be entering upon a period of real utility. They are, it is stated, to be tried in the River St. Lawrence next month. At present, navigation is closed between November and May. It has been the opinion of the harbour engineer and others acquainted with the subject for years past that the season of navigation could be prolonged considerably by the use of an ice-breaker and the experience of Russia has confirmed them in these views. The Government's new ice-breaking boat is now at Quebec, and it is intended to bring a cargo of coal through from Sydney, N. S., to Montreal during the early part of December with the assistance of this breaker. The ice-breaker will accompany the steamer carrying the coal, breaking the way for her through the ice to Montreal and back down the river.

THE Press Association's Liverpool correspondent telegraphs: The recent purchases on behalf of the Russian Government of a Thames torpedo-boat destroyer proves the sequel to a systematic series of moves in England. A French commercial firm inquiring whether a gunboat just being completed at Birkenhead for the Peruvian Government was purchaseable negotiations were opened and an agent arrived at Liverpool shortly afterwards. He proved to be a Russian gentleman of military bearing who spoke most European languages perfectly. This agent whilst in Liverpool also made overtures for the purchase of one or more liners and actually entered into preliminary arrangements with a shipping company of world-wide fame. Both transactions, however, subsequently fell through on the question of price and delivery and the agent left for the Tyne where he inspected other warships nearing completion.

SIR JOHN GORST has been under fire before now and it may be safely predicted that he will successfully repel the assault of the Protectionist upon his Cambridge University seat, writes the "Westminster." Forty-four years have passed since he went out to New Zealand as a catechist, or lay-helper, under the auspices of Bishop Selwyn. Having mastered the Maori language, he was appointed by the Government to the post of Resident Commissioner of the Waikati, one of the most disaffected districts of the Colony. There he found an anti-British newspaper called the "Hokoi" (the Eagle), and to counteract its influence he brought out the "Pihoihoi Mokemoke" (the Sparrow on the Housetop). A famous fighting chief named Rewi, who had no sense of humour, raided the office one night and captured the whole of its contents, with the exception of the enterprising and sarcastic editor, who succeeded in escaping and getting safely within the lines of General Sir Duncan Cameron. Subsequently he had the unique experience of being bombarded with bullets made out of his own type. At the close of the Maori war of the early sixties, Sir John Gorst, accompanied by the late S

PORT ARTHUR SIEGE.

FURTHER SUCCESSES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.

LONDON, DEC. 22.

The Japanese have assaulted and occupied two heights near Pigeon Bay and captured a small gun.

The Russian counter-attack was repulsed.

The following telegram was received on Thursday night by the Japanese Consul in Bombay from his Government :—

The Port Arthur Army reports : A detachment of our Right assaulted and occupied on Thursday morning, a height north of Housanyangtai, near Pigeon-bay, and also a height on the Peninsula in Pigeon-bay whereon a Russian gun of small calibre was captured. The enemy's counter attack on the Peninsula was repulsed.

The following telegram was received yesterday morning :—

Admiral Togo, on the 21st instant, reports : The Sevastapol was seen busily pumping water from the breach caused by our torpedo attack, nt was listing at least ten degrees with the bow sunk and is believed to be hopeless to recover her navigability under the present circumstances of Port Arthur. According to a reliable statement of a prisoner here, the steamer **was torpedoed eight times while the hull once at least and split eight feet her aft-part port.**

BALTIC FLEET'S PE IL.

AGITATION IN ST. PETERSBURG.

ROZHDESTVENSKY'S POSITION.

Paris, Dec. 9.—According to the St. Petersburg correspondent of the "Petit Journal," an agitation has been commenced there for the recall of Admiral Rozhdestvensky's squadron. Public opinion is that he is going to meet certain defeat because of the inferiority of his squadron compared with the Japanese fleet.

The correspondent of the "Echo de Paris" says that the Baltic Fleet is considered to be in a critical position since it can no longer count upon the co-operation of the Port Arthur ships nor upon that of the Vladivostok cruisers, which are disabled. On the other hand, it is pointed out, Admiral Togo's fleet is in complete fighting trim.

The correspondent is in a position to confirm the rumour of the probable recall of the Baltic Fleet.—Central News.

BRITISH EXPERT NAVAL OPINION.

There is a consensus of opinion among naval experts this morning that the Russian Baltic Fleet will be immediately recalled. With the Port Arthur Fleet annihilated, and the harbour at the mercy of the Japanese, and with Vladivostok frozen in, it would be a matter of impossibility for the Russian fleet to keep the seas in the Far East. There is no base from which the vessels could operate, and with the release of Admiral Togo's squadron, the Russian fleet would find itself in the position of having to meet a more mobile fleet, with every advantage of position in its favour. The only alternative in the minds of naval men is for Admiral Rozhdestvensky to take his fleet into some neutral port and consent to have them dismantled. The latter alternative has this in its favour, that Russia would still have the nucleus of a fleet at the end of the war.

THE PROPOSED THIRD RUSSIAN SQUADRON

A NOT VERY IMPOSING FORCE.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 9th.—The Russ from a competent source, gives the composition of the third Russian Pacific squadron. It will be composed of the battleships Admiral General Apraxine I Admiral Seniavin Admiral Ouchakoff, and Nicolai I, the cruiser Vladimir Monomnach, the gunboat Chrabry, and a mining ship and about five torpedo boats.

All these vessels are said to be in good condition and to have been fitted with new guns and engines.

The Admiral General Apraxine I Admiral Ouchakoff and Admiral Seniavin are coast defence battleships of slightly over 4,000 tons displacement. The first named vessel carries three 10-in and four 6-in guns, the other two four 9-in and 6-in guns. The first was completed in 1898, the other two in 1895.

The Nicolai I, is a battleship of 9,672 tons displacement, armed with two 12-in, four 9-in and eight 6-in, guns. She was completed in 1892.

The cruiser Vladimir Monomach which was completed in 1885, and is of 6,000 tons displacement has five 8-in and twelve 6-in guns.

The Admiral Ouchakoff and Admiral Seniavin are credited with a speed of 16 knots and are the fastest ships of the new squadron. The Nicolai I with 18 knots, is the slowest.—Central News.

CHINA'S INDEMNITY QUESTION.

AN ATTEMPT TO CORN R HER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD DEC 23.

A special cable from the "Pioneer's" correspondent, dated London 22nd December, states :—The "Times" Peking correspondent says that Russia, Germany and France are unsatisfied with China's consent to pay the indemnity in gold and are endeavouring to preclude her from purchasing gold in the open market in order to secure to their banks the profit on exchange. China is relying on the support of Great Britain, America and Japan.

THE GOVERNOR IN SIND.

LAYS FOUNDATION STONE OF A SCHOOL.

KARACHI, DECEMBER 23.

On Wednesday afternoon Lord Lamington laid the foundation stone of the new school building of Nava Vidialaya at Hyderabad (Sind). A dais and a canopy were erected on the site and the whole ground was prettily decorated with small coloured flags and neem tree branches. On the arrival of Lord Lamington the boys sang a welcome song The manager of the School then read out a report describing the foundation of the school and progress made in education, and presented his Excellency a handsome silver mallet and trowel. His Excellency replied at some length to the report, chiefly confining himself to matters educational and expressed great satisfaction at the progress made by the institution and the good work done by the manager, Mr. Pribdas, in promoting the material and moral advancement of the School. The Governor was pleased to make a donation of Rs. 100 to the building fund. After the stone was pronounced to have been well and truly laid, the boys sang an invocation song asking the blessing of God on his Excellency and the School.

The same night their Excellencies dined with the officers of the 130th Baluchis at the Mess where a large reception was subsequently held. The Mess was beautifully decorated and illuminated. The men and a guard of honor from the Regiment lighted the road with torches producing a very pleasing and novel effect. After dinner Mr. Muir Mackenzie, the Commissioner in Sind, played several tunes on the violin and Lieutenant Terry of the Suffolk Regiment sang.

The Governor left Hyderabad for camp at Umerkot on Thursday morning

OILING ROADS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—We beg to hand you herewith for favour of publication copy of a letter, we have addressed to the Municipal Commissioner.—Yours, &c.,

W. A. GRAHAM, & Co.

Bombay, 23rd December 1904.

W. L. Harvey, Esq., C.I.E., I.C.S., Municipal Commissioner, Bombay.

DEAR SIR,—We desire to direct your attention to the manner in which the second coat of the heavy oil supplied by our Company has been spread over the Esplanade Road, &c. So far as we can judge the same quantity was put down the second time as the first regardless of the obvious fact that an oiled road has a greatly less capacity for absorption than an unoiled road The result of this is that much of the oil has been carried away by the traffic and lost, thus placing the experiment financially at a marked disadvantage. Not only this, but the quite unnecessary and slow drying quagmire produced by the procedure adopted has created a very natural prejudice against the system in the minds of the public. We are sending a copy of this letter to the press so that the public may know that the discomfort they have been subjected to this week has been due to inexperience. When the time comes for considering the financial aspect of the experiment we would ask you to kindly make fitting allowance for the oil which has been carried away and lost.—Yours truly,

W. A. GRAHAM, & Co. Agents,
The Asiatic Petroleum Company, Limited

DON'T BUY a Motor Car until you have made a free trial on a Clement.—Sole Agents for the Province of India, E. [illegible] Esplanade Road.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE TAMPERING CASE AT HULL.

Doubtful Statements.

LONDON, DEC. 23

The Russian Consal at Hull states that only AVAS, the boatswain, signed a sworn statement, and he (the Consul) did not think he was drunk at the time.

The others made statements but were afraid to sign.

The boatswain being interviewed declared he was drunk when taken to the Consulate.

THE INQUIRY COMMISSION.

Four more of Admiral Rozhdestvensky's officers have landed at Bordeaux and proceed to Paris to give evidence before the Inquiry Commission.

MOSCOW STUDENTS' STRIKE

Refuse to Attend Lectures.

The Moscow students have forwarded to the Rector of the University a Resolution refusing to attend lectures till after the Greek Christmas and swearing to do their utmost to promote a Democratic organisation which will free the oppressed Fatherland and render impossible brutalities, such as were perpetrated on the demonstrators on the 18th and 19th instant.

THE REVENUE RETURNS.

The Revenue Returns from 1st April to 17th December show a decrease in the Revenue of £3,24,000 as compared with the same period in 1903 where as the Budget anticipated the revenue for the year would show an increase of £1,844,000. Moreover, the decrease in expenditure promises to be less than the decrease budgetted for,

GREAT FOG IN ENGLAND.

Business Paralysed.

LONDON, DEC. 22.

An almost unprecedented fog has enveloped England since yesterday, creating a perfect chaos and paralysing locomotion and business in London particularly.

The Christmas trade is at a standstill involving enormous losses.

THE POSITION IN THE BALKANS.

Conflict Unlikely.

A diplomatist, who has just returned from a mission to the Balkans, has informed Reuter that the situation is not so serious as it was a year ago, and a conflict between Turkey and Bulgaria is not regarded as likely.

THE NEW RAILWAY BOARD.

LONDON, DEC. 23.

Mr. Walter Wood, Manager of the Hull and Barnsley Railway, has been appointed third member of the Railway Board.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC, 23.

The Secretary of State has appointed Mr. Walter H. Wood, General Manager of the Hull and Barnsley Railway, to be the English member of the new Railway Board whose number of members is now complete.

THE MAILS.

The Bombay Mails of the 10th instant, arrived at Brindisi on the 21st.

THE NAGPUR CATHOLIC INSTITUTE.

THE Catholic Institute of Nagpur, which was established about four years ago has made its useful existence felt in various ways amongst the Community for whose intellectual and social well-being it was established. Not the least attractive feature of its doings is the gatherings held from time to time when the evening is very pleasantly spent to a well-arranged programme of music and other social pastimes.

One such "At Home" was held on Saturday last, and the occasion was especially availed of, present as a token of congratulation to the Right Reverend Father Bonaventure, the Bishop-elect of the See of Nagpur which has remained vacant since the death of the late lamented Bishop Crochet. Father Bonaventure has been the life and soul of the Institute and by his personal interest has contributed greatly to its success. The hall was very tastefully decorated, and on the Bishop-designated entering it, attended by his clergy, he was received by Mr. O'Brien, Deputy Comptroller, P. O., the Vice-President and committee members, and on taking his seat, Mr. Morris, the Secretary, advanced and read a brief address, which spoke of the paternal interest taken by the Right Revd. Father Bonaventure, in the work of the Institute, for which they all felt deeply grateful, and they would express the hope, that the same kindly and practical patronage would be extended to the Institute by Bishop Bonaventure, whose members were glad to take this opportunity of congratulating him on his being raised to the Episcopal See, and their hearts' desire was that he would be spared for many years for the good of the Diocese and the Institute. In reply the Right Revd. Father Bonaventure said he felt greatly honoured by the reception accorded him, and very grateful for the kind things said of him. He had but done his duty towards the Institute, the good fortune and importance of which, time and pastens work would show in the future. In his new position of responsibility, he would in no way relax his interest, and glad as he was at the great progress the Institute had made, it now mustering a hundred members, he hoped there would be continued co-operating members to go on with the work which he considered a grand work as it made for their intellectual, moral and social good. Referring to the present location of the Institute, the Bishop-elect said a larger and more commodious Hall was felt a to be necessity, for which funds were required and he members would do well to make a start now and the funds they would contribute would come by and by. This part of the programme being over, some musical items were gone through, consisting of songs pianoforte and orchestral pieces in which Father Fernandez and Messrs. Dover etc, and misses Cassell and Lars, Gomes and others took part, which clearly evidenced that the musical talent in the small Catholic community is indeed very good. It materially helped towards a most pleasant evening. Slight refreshments were liberally served. There were about 400 European and Indian Catholics present, who on the departure of the guest of the evening gave him three hearty cheers. The Institute has arranged to spend the Christmas festivities in right good fashion the Committee have in view a three days' programme during the Christmas week, when there will be sports, a Christmas tree and musical soiree.

GAMBLERS CONVICTED.

YESTERDAY at the Esplanade Police Court, Mr. Korsandas Chabildas, third Presidency Magistrate disposed of the case in which Inspector Wilkins charged Joosab Ali and other thirteen persons with gaming in a "machwa" in the Bombay harbour on the 24 h ultimo. The accused were defended by Messrs C. H. Setalwad, barrister, and Counsel Olivera, pleaders. It will be remembered that the accused pleaded guilty to the charge of gambling, but the point for the defence was that the "matchwa" was not a public place as far as the meaning of section 12 of the Bombay Gaming Act went. The counsel for the defence said he contended that although the matchwa was a licensed one and had all the characteristics of a public conveyance, yet it was the accus-property by the fact that it was under the control of their own exclusive possession without a warrant from the Commissioner of Police was illegal.

The Magistrate a public place and the harbour a the matchwa there, and therefore the accused were public the offence within the meaning of the Act, guilty and each accused to suffer three weeks' rigorous imprisonment.

MOTOR CARS for hire. Driving taught. Repairs any make of car, effected. Palmer Cord Tyres E. I. C. Plugs and Price's Lubricants for sale.—E. J. LEE, 8, Esplanade Road, Bombay.

RAILWAY BOARD APPOINTMENTS RESULT.

CHANGES AND PROMOTIONS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 23

A number of changes in the official world follow as a result of the appointments of Sir Hewett to be Member for Industries and Commerce and of Mr. Baker to succeed Sir Edward Law. Sir Denzil Ibbetson arrives by this week's mail from leave at home and relieves Mr. Hewett in the post of Home Member in which he is now officiating. Mr. Hewett can therefore take over charge without delay. His Department has still to be organised, but an important step in this direction has been taken in the completion of the Railway Board which will constitute its principal branch. The names of officers selected to fill the new posts of Secretary to the Government of India for Industries and Commerce and the Secretary to the Railway Board may be expected to the announced immediately.

The transfer of Government control of the Posts Telegraphs and Statistics which are also to form part of Mr. Hewett's charge, appears to be a mere matter of an executive order.

Mr. Baker succeeds to the charge of the all important portfolio of Finance which will now, for the first time, be freed of the incongruous appendages it has hitherto carried, of Posts and Statistics.

Sir Edward Law resigned with effect from the 1st instant, so there should be no delay in appointing an officer to relieve Mr. Baker in his present appointment of Finance Secretary, a post in which Mr. W. S. Meyer, C. S. has more than once acted. Mr. Meyer now holds merely a temporary appointment as editor of the "Imperial Gazetteer," so there should be no difficulty about transferring him. There still remains the Chief Commissionership of the Central Provinces to fill up, as Mr. Lely who is now acting in it for Mr. Hewett, is understood to be about to retire. This post has hitherto been ordinarily filled by promotion of one of the Civilian Secretaries to the Government of India, of whom Mr. Risley and Mr. Miller are the most senior.

"GAZETTE OF INDIA" NOTIFICATIONS.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Ghatak Assistant Comptroller of Post Offices is granted one year's leave.

REVENUE AND AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT.

Lieut M. N. Macleod, R. E. is appointed to the Survey of India as Assistant Superintendent.

Mr E. Shearer is to be Agri-Horticulturalist at the Pusa Research Institute.

Lymphangitis and surrane notified as diseases within the meaning of the Glanders and Farcy Act, in Poona, also surra in Bombay.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

The confirmation of Mr. Woodroffe as Judge of the Calcutta High Court is notified.

ECCLESIASTICAL ESTABLISHMENT.

Rev. H. T. Wheeler is appointed to be Junior Chaplain of Lahore.

The Metropolitan leaves Calcutta on tour on the 14th proximo arriving at Chittagong on the 15th, Rangoon on the 19th, Calcutta on the 12th February.

The Revd. E. S. Thomas is appointed Chaplain on probation on the Lahore Establishment.

The Revds P. R. arrison and P. T. Doloy are transferred from the Bombay to Bengal establishment.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr. C. H. Browning, Indian Educational Service from leave is posted to Bengal and Mr. W. Knox Johnston, Benares College, to the Central Provinces.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

The abolition from the 1st proximo of Garrison classes and of appointment of D. A. A. G's. for instruction has been sanctioned.

Major Delaine, 123rd Rifles, is appointed Commandant of that regiment vice Colonel Scallon appointed Colonel on staff of the Bangalore Brigade.

Lieut. C. G. Hutchinson, Indian Army, is permanently appointed to the Burma Commission.

2nd Lieutenant Patterson, attached to the Royal Munster Fusiliers is posted to the Northern Command for appointment to the Indian Army.

Captain Bourne, 2nd Lancers and Lieut Hewitt, 17th Cavalry, are posted temporarily for employment with the remount depots at Saharanpore and Mona respectively.

ARRIVAL OF THE OVERLAND MAIL OF 9TH DECEMBER.

THE P. and O. Company's steamer Arabia, Captain Thomas Leigh, arrived in harbour yesterday morning with the English Mail of the 9th December. She brought the following passengers :—

FROM LONDON.

Bowles Miss	Molesworth Rev and Mrs R
Browning Mr and Mrs C H and infant	Marsh Mrs Robinson Dr
Block Mrs A	Morgan Mr H A
Baird Mr F M	Osborne Mrs W
Birnie Mr and Mrs W J	Ogilvie Mrs and 2 infant
Creigh Mr R	Pinsent Mr and Mrs
Cohens Mrs	Rome Mr F J and infant
Chambers Mrs	Rolandson Capt
Davies Mrs	Redcliffe Mrs
Dixon Miss	Runsdeo Mr W
Dane Mr A	Robinson Rev J N
Fryer Genl Sir John	Robinson Capt
Gordon, Mrs	Rigby Mr W P
Gow Mrs G	Simpson Mr J
Hill Mrs F	Strachan Rev and Mrs R and 2 infants
Hodgkinson Miss	Sonoin Mr L
Johnston Mr R A	Scott Miss C
Jones Miss E	Smith Miss C
Kirk Mr and Mrs G E	Strathan Mr Mrs and Miss J
King Mrs A J	Sithall Miss
Khambatta Dr K	Simpson Rev C E
Lumsden Mrs	Wilson Mrs
Lanyon Mrs	Weatherburn Sir W and Miss
Lumsden Mr W	Walker Mr E
Moore Mr and Mrs G R	Watson Mitchell f
Mitchell Mr W	
Muir Miss H A	

FROM MARSEILLES.

Alexander Mr and Mrs	Hobblethwaite Mr H
Archdale Mrs and infant	Hinton Mr and Miss C
Adwin Mr	Holt Mr H S
Aokinson Miss E	Holl Lady Mary
Boyis Rev and Mrs W W	Holl Miss
Beynon Mrs W G and infant	Keighley Mr E
Burraway Miss D	Kennedy Mrs R G
Bolleau Mr C	Lindsay Capt G
Barnes Mr	Miller Mr and Mrs W
Bagns Mr W G	Mullerjee Mr J C
Blair Lt G L	Moore Mrs A
Beaour Mr	Murray Mr A
Browning Lt F S	Murray Mr F C
Baines Mr C E	McGregor Mr J
Cohen Mr Mrs and Miss	Moss Mr and Mrs
Cooper Mrs	Michael Mr and Mrs F J
Collins Mrs W A	Misra Mr
Collins Miss A S	Money Lt-Col A H
Cascera Miss O	Macaulay Mrs
Clayton Mr Hock	Needham Mr J E
Cascra Mr F X	Nightingall Capt
Colquhoun Mr H A	Nightingale Miss
Clark, Mr W H	Orman Capt
Cahusac Lt-Col and Mrs W and child	Oldfield Lt G
Cole Mr and Mrs W H and Infant	Oakshott Mr E P
Campbell Mr G	Palmer Mr H G
Dalgleish Mr and Mrs	Playfair Sir P and Lady
D'Oyly Mrs H J and infant	Peterson Mrs F H
David Miss N	Riddell Mr A C
Elliott Mr R H	Rylands Mr F
Elliott Mrs M A	Randall Mr P M
Eade Mr G	Sowerbie Miss
Forbes Mr and Mrs A F G	Sanhouse Mr G P
Goodall Mr C A	Stuart Miss
Goean Mr S	Shelmerdine Mr W
Gruning Mr and Mrs J F and Infant	Sweetenham Sir D
Gray Mr J H	Smalley Mr and Mrs
Goodacre Mr W	Stephen Miss
Hand Miss M	Stephen St Sir Henry
Harland Mr Scott	Sherlock Lt G W
Halland Mrs	Temple Miss Mrs
Hay Mr and Mrs J P	Tigne Mrs F A and child
	Williams Ven Arch
	Winton Mr A J de

FROM PORT SAID.

Curray Lt V F	Ronnie Miss
Kindersley Mr	Rangahee Mr
Mann Mr R B	Shunma Mr and Mrs H
Nightingale Dr S	Strawray A Mr Fox

FROM GIBRALTAR.

Gonsalves Mr J L	House Mr H C
Murray Mr and Miss A S	Stone Mr B E
Nicol Mr V	Wintell Mr E

FROM BRINDISI

Anderson Mr R	Cargill Mr D

FROM ADEN.

Crawford Major	Sultan Tadal Mohisa
Hassanally Mr H	Sultan Ally Ahmed
Hajeebhoy Lilyee Mr M	Syed Alli
Hajee Khan, Mohamed Mr	

PASSENGERS BY THE HARDWARE MAIL.

The following passengers proceed to-day by the Mail for Marseilles and London :—

Reinold, Mr K A	Martin, Mrs E S
Roe, Mr N F	Rogers Mr C S
Mein Mr C H	Stanley, Mr J H
Bananavalla, Mr James	Mackie, Maj
Barr and infant, Mrs	Macdonald, Mr
Fawcett, Mr C	Hazell, Miss
Butler, Hon B D	Spiro, Mr S
Carey, Mrs and Miss	Irvel, Mr W
Chamberlain, Maj Mrs and child	Baldwin's infant Mrs and Nurse
Morris Mr Henry	Cogill, Dr
Acworth Mr E C B,	Ireland, Mr R H
Robb, Mr W	Pite, Mrs T J
Jeffery, Capt J B	Gaulson, Miss
Haggard, Mr M	Broom, Mr A H
Scott, Mr R S	Hill, Mr and Mrs and 3 children and infant
De Castlegau Mr and child	

"PESHAWAR" FOR SALE.

THE Steamer "PESHAWAR" is for sale. Apply to the Manager, Bombay Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., Ballard Pier.

THE BOMBAY EXHIBITION

ART AND INDUSTRY OF INDIA.

THE vast extent of the Art and Industry of India, which continues on the progressive move is indeed beyond the comprehension of an ordinary layman, but at least an idea can be gleaned by a visit to the Exhibition, and a minute survey of the exhibits contained in the four main Courts on either side of the main entrance, which have been set apart respectively for the display of the various products and manufactures of the country, comprising mineral, vegetable and animal, arts and textile industries. In dealing with the Courts individually, we direct the visitor to the Court No. 1, where the first object that catches the eye is an array of all manner of metal work, and some of the well noted finest brass work of Jeypore and Benares. The beautiful work of Moradabad is also strongly represented as well as the silverware from Cutch, Madras and other places remarkable for this nature of work To details all the articles contained in this Court would entail more space than we have, but we will give an outline of some of the most attractive and important articles to be seen. First of all is a gigantic silver "bindola" or cradle placed in a central position of the Court. The cradle is suspended by a cross-bar resting on posts suspended on huge and excellently carved elephants. No less than 18,000 tolas of silver have been expended on this article. At the top are some prettily carved designs of birds, which when the cradle is rocked are seen to move their heads Some fine brass work and enamelled brass pots, plates and bowls comprise the Jeypore contribution, while Benares is represented by some even prettier designs. The well-known coloured brass ware of Moradabad are also to be seen in the shape of trays and table ornaments, &c. Next to these is the work of Cutch and Madras and some wares locally carved, and a few feet away one sees a collection of fitters, water bottles and lamps of various designs, together with a quantity of aluminium wares. Harichand's Patent safes and locks also find a place, besides an exhibition of modern sporting trophies, old armours and a collection of sporting weapons and other goods. The Cawnpore Brush Company, manufacturers of toilet, household and sanitary requisites, have on view a variety of brushes manufactured at their works, for which they were awarded the only silver medal at the Lahore Exhibition. Exhibits from the Jeypore School of Arts are varied.

Adjoining this Court is a small stall allotted to the Bombay Port Trust, which contains exhibits of a very interesting, character. To form an idea of the great new Dock scheme for Bombay, one must visit this stall, for, in a prominent part, may be seen to advantage a map with relief work model illustrations. Among other exhibits is a model illustrative of an improved method of raising water from a well by buckets, and models of a number of steamers and a light house. A wooden model of a house built at Surat over a hundred years ago forms an interesting feature and a number of specimens of granite of various kinds used in dock constructions.

Court No. 2 is divided into three parts, the exhibits comprising chemicals and materials, preserves of various kinds and other articles. In the first portion there is a very large collection of vegetable and animal products, which comprise of medicines, essences, perfumes, soaps and paints; the second portion involves a variety of prepared articles such as butter-preserved articles, chutnies, ghee, spirits and confectionery; whilst the third portion has been set apart for such articles of daily domestic consumption as tea, coffee, cocoa, tobacco, ginger, dyes, barks and fibres, soaps, tobacco manufactures, &c. A very attractive feature of this Section is a life-size model of a lion in sugar, in the moulding of which no less than twenty five pounds of sugar were expended. There are also a number of models representing dwelling houses also carved in sugar, and an exhibit illustrating the production of aloe fibre and its manufactures from the aloe leaf, besides a few other illustrations.

Now we come to a still more interesting Court, viz. the Art Court (Court No. 3) Here in addition to many interesting and cleverly executed pictures in oil and water colours as well as crayon drawings, bromide enlargements, art studies and photographs, there are to be seen some lovely specimens of pottery, wood and ivory carvings, lacquerware &c. To quote some of the attractive one among these, there is notably a group of sculptures sent in by that well-known sculptor Shantre of local fame. These works include a model of a large statue of her late Majesty Queen Victoria, which is in course of preparation as a memorial for Ahmedabad. Facing this is an array of some excellent painting from the School of Art. These paintings represent H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught and several prominent local citizens. Local and mofussil natives have contributed their quota towards this section in the way of paintings, &c., some of the pictures representing his Highness the Nizam and his Highness the Maharaja of Kolhapore. In one of the numerous cases will be seen a variety of mother-of-pearls, while there is also a huge collection of ebony and blackwood carving, the famous Delhi ivory work, and carved ivory work from Travancore. Some fine lacquerware from Punjab is to be seen in one of the stalls, beside these there is an illustration of a Jain temple at Porbunder carved in teak. Among other articles of art are Jeypore and Karachi marble and pottery work, and Vizagapatam enamelled ivory work. Centrally placed is a beautiful model of a house, the interior glimmering with the rays of a small electric light. Several clay figures correctly cut out are included, while interesting and instructive to observe are two pictures representing the Fall of Babylon and the Death of the First-born, by John Martin and one or two other illustrative depictions. Hung along a portion of the boards are a collection of large and handsome photographs by Messrs. Bourne and Shepherd.

Turning now to Court 4, we find it is here that the Textile Industry of India is well represented, the observer being treated with a bewildering variety of fabrics including raw material to the finished article. Large tables along the centre of the stall are bedecked with a rich display of cushions, table covers, tea cosies sent in from Madras, all hand somely worked and embroidered. Then there are a variety of silk sarees of variegated colours and texture from different parts of the Presidency From Amritsar come some rich carpets and tapestries, similar articles having been sent in from Persia, Bikanir, Jaipur and Ahmednagar and other places. A very handsome carpet was shown us measuring over four yards by three This is a very valuable specimen and is worked in pure silk. Cashmere, as is well known, is noted for its excellent turn-out in shawls, and some rare specimens of these are to be seen as also several other textile articles from Cashmere filigri worked purdahs are in great variety, many of these being heavily priced, while of fancy knitting the art is liberally depicted. The work of the Surat Hindu Orphanage which earned the encomiums of the Committee at the recent Paris Exhibition for its excellence of texture and other good qualities, are exhibited on a large scale, their show including Indian embroidery and fancy work made by the boys and girls of the Orphanage, a quantity of silk, cotton and woollen fabrics of Indian Manufacture and various other useful articles.

Petty Stalls adjoining are filled with articles such as cotton and embroideries and other indigenous articles put forward by the local Indian Stores Company, Luxmi Bhandar of Calcutta, D. S. Bhattacharji, Surat silk manufactories, A. H. Gaznavi, &c., &c

The local agents of the Singer Manufacturing Company, Limited, have an independent stall, which is a beautiful structure surmounted with a large dome. The interior is very artistically decorated and draped; and the floor richly is carpeted, while the illuminations on the other hand is of a brilliant and attractive hue. The decorations, which are exceptionally unique, was designed, we are informed by Mr. N. M. Patel, the local Agent of the firm. Of the glass work decoration there is notably the name "Singer" forming a transparency of coloured glass bull eyes of variegated colours worked in lead, this method having only recently been introduced in this country. Of the exhibits, the most attractive is a skeleton model in a glass case showing every part of the machine and particularly disclosing that there are no cogs used in manufacturing them. This ingeniously invented model is worked every evening by hot air motor power. The Singer sewing machine itself is the various machines on show is a Maple Cabine which closes and draws the machine below pattern level of the table when necessary. The stand and is of cabinet was only recently ornamentation, perfectly graceful in style and tasteful and will no doubt prove a drawing room. Then to a most richly furnished large representation of his there is on exhibited VII, embroidered in silk by Majesty Rinpor machines as also land capes and one of other representations embroidered in silk. very ordinary machine provided by this firm is reputed with being able to turn out all kinds of work in the way of lock and chain stitch. There are also some very strong and handy leather machines which can be inspected at the Exhibition and their value and capacity tested. A European and Parsee lady are in attendance each evening at their stall giving instructions in embroidery and other worked turned out.

We shall deal with the remainder of the Art and Industrial stalls in a later issue.

SIR L. BRUNTON'S INSTRUMENTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—With reference to the recent reports concerning Sir Lauder Brunton's instrument for the treatment of snake bite, will you allow me to state that we can now supply these ?—Yours, &c.

KEMP & Co. LD.,
A. PELL,
General Manager.

INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS.

ARRIVAL OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT.

SIR HENRY COTTON, the President-Elect of the twentieth Indian National Congress, which meets on Monday, the 26th instant, and Sir William Wedderburn and Miss Wedderburn, arrived in Bombay yesterday morning by the P. & O. Company's steamship Arabia, and landed at Apollo Bunder, where they were accorded an enthusiastic reception by a gathering representing the various native communities of this city. The steamship Arabia entered the Harbour at 6 o'clock and as she was riding at anchor opposite the Bunder, the following gentlemen who are Secretaries to the Reception Committee put out in the steam launch Investor belonging to Mr. Bomanji Dinshbhy Mistry and proceeded to the [illegible] to receive the President and Sir William Wedderburn on board.

The Hon. [illegible] K. Parekh, Hon. Mr. C. H. Setalvad, Sir Bashcandra Krishna, Mr D. E. Wacha, Mr. Jeejeebhoy B. Desai, Mr K R Cama, Mr. V. [illegible], and Mr Fazulbhoy Joomabhoy Lalji. In the meantime the members of the reception committee, many of the delegates from outstations who have already arrived, and a large number of the general public, began driving towards the Bunder and by the time the party landed there was a vast concourse of people Amongst those present were : The Hon. Sir Pherozeshah [illegible] Mehta, Sir Bhalchundra Krishna, Mr. Dinshaw E. Wacha, the Hon. Mr G. K. Parekh, the Hon. Mr. C. H. Setalvad, the Hon Mr. Vithaldas D. Thackersey, Dewan Bahadur Ambalal Sakarlal, Mr. Virchund Dipchund, C.I.E., Mr. Kalachoy Lalchbhoy, Mr H. A. Wadia, Mr. Jamsedji Ardeshir Wadia, Mr. Amirudin Tyebji, Mr. Abdul Hossein Adamji Peerbhoy, Mr. Pribhovandas Mangaldas Nathoobhoy, Mr. Dharamsey Morarji Gokuldas Mr. Rustom K. R. Cama, Mr. N. V. Gokhle, Mr. Fazulbhoy Joomabhoy Lalji, Mr. Bhaishunker Nanabhoy, Mr Jaffer Rahimtoola, Mr. Dinshaw B. Master, Dr. Jehangir J. Curs tji, Mr. Pherozshah Setna, Mr. Rustomji Byramji Nanabhoy, Mr. D. G. Padhye, Mr. Shamrao Vithal, Rao Bahadur Dhakji Cashinathji, Mr. Sarafali Mamooji, Mr. Guneshan Nilkunth Nadkarney, Mr. Hormusji Muncherji Cama, Mr. [illegible] N Soher, Mr. Hussookram Soorajram Trepathi, Khan Bahadur Dawoodbhoy Moorakhoy, Dr. Meherjibhoy R. Setna, Mr. V. S. Bhandarkar, Mr. Parbhoomra Soondarji Zala, Mr. Damoder Gordhandas Sokhdawalla, Mr. Sorabji K. Warden, Mr. Madhowji Virji, Mr. A. Master, Mr. K. E. Ghamat, Rao Bahadur Vassonji Khimji, Mr. Damoder Lukumidas Khimji, Khan Bahadur Byramji Dadabhoy Registrar, Mr. Furdoonji M. Banaji, Mr. Vinayak Jagonath Shunkersett, Mr. Cassum Ali Jairajbuoy Peerbhoy, Mr. Hussein B. yabji, Manordas Pribhovandas Virjivandas, Mr. V. P. Vaidya, Mr. Lukhamsey Napoo, Dr. D. B. Naik, Mr. Jeevenji Lowjibhoy and others.

About 8 o'clock the launch Investor with the distinguished visitors on board escorted by the members of the deputation left the Arabia and as the time for landing approached, the greatest animation and enthusiasm prevail d amongst the throng of spectators, which was densely packed at the top of the landing steps As the launch came alongside the pier-head, the Hon. Sir P. M. Mehta went down the steps and received the distinguished visitors while the great gathering on the Bunder welcomed them with peals upon peals of cheers At the top of the steps, Sir Harry Cotton, Sir William Wedderburn and Miss Wedderburn were garlanded and showered with flowers were showered on them. Mr. J. E. Perceval, I.C.S, was present to meet his uncle Sir William Wedderburn. The Hon. Sir P. M. Mehta then introduced the representative members of the different communities assembled at the Bunder, to the visitors, who shook hands with them. There was such a crush at the bunder at this moment, that it was with some difficulty that a passage could be made to enable the President, Sir W. Wedderburn and Miss Wedderburn to proceed to the carriage and pair, which had been kept in readiness for them. The distinguished visitors got in the carriage with Sir Pherozeshah M. Mehta, while Mr. D. E. Wacha mounted the coachbox and drove amidst ringing cheers of the crowd to the Ridge, Malabar Hill, where Mr. Adamji Peerbhoy's bungalow has been fitted up for their temporary residence in Bombay.

A procession of carriages conveying the distinguished visitors and prominent gentlemen headed by a number of Congress Volunteers on bicycles, was then formed and started from the bunder. The first halt was made near the Congress pandal on the Crescent, where a number of Congress Volunteers, who had assembled there, garlanded Sir Henry Cotton and Sir William Wedderburn and gave hearty cheers as the procession resumed its course. Proceeding along Esplanade and Hornby Roads, the carriage was again stopped near the Alice Buildings, where a few Parsi ladies and a Borah dealer in trunks decorated the visitors with floral wreaths and presented them with bouquets. Similar presentations were made by Messrs. Raja Deen Dayal and Sons, at their premises on Hornby Road There was nothing remarkable until the procession arrived at Money School end of Cruickshank Road, where the President-Elect and Sir William were cheered by a crowd of people, where a native band struck up the National Anthem. But the reception was more enthusiastic along Kalbadevi and Bhuleswar Roads, where crowds of people were seen cheering the distinguished visitors, and shops were decorated with flags. Scrolls were hung across the roads bearing inscriptions such as "Welcome Sir Henry Cotton and Sir W Wedderburn;" "Best Friends of India;" "Cotton dear, don't you fear, we are here to give the cheers," "Long live Sir Henry Cotton and Sir William Wedderburn," India wants more Cottons and Wedderburns," "India sends hearty greetings;" "Welcome Britain's Noble Sons" "Hearty Greetings to Sir Henry Cotton and Sir William and Miss Wedderburn;" "Remember India in Parliament;" "Hind and Britannia Hand to Hand" Near the Javerlal Umashunker Yajanik Bhuleshwar Library, the visitors' carriage was stopped, when the Hon Mr Gokuldas K. Parekh on behalf of the Managing Committee of that Institution gave them a hearty welcome and garlanded them. After several stoppages at Kalbadevi and Bhuleshwar Roads, the procession reached Kumbhar Tukda, where floral presentations were made. Flowers were also thrown in the carriage at several points of the route. Passing through Girgaum Back Road, where the carriage was stopped by Mr. Bhaishunker Nanabhoy, Mr. Dharamsey Morarjee Gokuldas, Sir Harkisondas Narotumdas and others, the procession emerged on to Churney

the other day, one of the best known of the Australian Agents-General, was Sir Horace Tozer, the emigration representative of Queensland. He has lately been recalled to his Colony and before his departure from this shore was presented with an address by the Australian Chamber of Commerce. I do not know how many years Sir Horace resided in London. Speaking from memory I should say that the amount have been here less than ten. And yet from his speech in replying to the address presented to him by fellow colonials he had sorrowfully to suggest that he must go back to the antipodes without ever having been introduced to an English Premier! Neglect, such as this, implies, in most discreditable, and it is this sort of thing more than any fiscal policy that will cause the colonies to break away from us if they do ever decide to cut the painter. The colonies should host send capable plain men to represent them in London. They should confer these positions on millionaires who could take mansions in Mayfair and give costly entertainments to Society with a big S. Such representatives would not have to make a complaint like that of Sir Horace Tozer. Premiers and Princes would be their closest friends.

OLLA PODRIDA.

Your late Governor Lord Reay has since the abolition of the London School Board occupied a position of greater freedom and less responsibility, but he is very active. Yesterday for example he, presided at the presentation of the portrait of the late Vice-Chairman of the School Board (the present Lord Stanley of Alderley) and made a speech suitable to the occasion. After this he attended the meeting at the Society of Arts and in the evening proposed the principal toast at the banquet given by the hospitable Fishermonger's Company to the "Authors and Dramatists." Two evenings before, he was one of the chief speakers at the annual dinner of the Borneo Company where another old Bombayite Sir John Jardine was among the orators. By the way Sir John has developed into a first class platform speaker. There is nothing like a Parliamentary candidature for improving a man's eloquence.

Lord Hobhouse had, owing to his great age, ceased to take any prominent part in most of the movements which engaged his attention, but there was one useful institution for which he continued to take a lively interest up to the time of his death. I referred to the National Indian Association of which he was President. The mortality amongst those identified in a conspicuous manner with India has been very heavy of late. Let us hope that others will come forward to take the place of those who have gone. Lord Hobhouse set a worthy example to men who like himself have occupied high positions in the administration of India. There are some—I will not mention names—on whom India has quite as great a claim as she had upon Lord Hobhouse who seem to take no interest in her whatever. This ought not to be.

THE OUTLOOK IN GUJARAT.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Press Note was issued, yesterday :—

In reply to a question asked by the Honourable Mr. G. K. Parekh at the Legislative Council Meeting on 8th December 1904, it was stated that it was found on inquiry that private enterprise was proving sufficient to meet the deficiency of fodder in those localities in which the supply was short. The rainfall in Gujarat since September has, however, been very slight and the hopes that were entertained that a good crop of Sundhia jowari would be secured have not been realized. From a communication recently received from the Commissioner, N. D., it now appears that it has been found necessary to import by Government agency about 40 lakhs pounds of grass into the Surat District. Grass depots were opened for the sale of this grass at Surat, Sayan and Kim railway stations. Of these, the depot at Kim has since been closed, as not required. Grass is issued from the depots only on passes signed by the Mamlatdar and the issue is limited to 1,000 pounds of grass per head of cattle owned by the applicant. The grass is being sold at cost price. The Collector of Broach also has reported that the demand for fodder has recently increased, and that there will be a partial fodder famine in that district as there is not sufficient private enterprise to meet the anticipated demand. He estimates the requirements of his district at 150 lakhs of pounds and has asked for 6 lakhs as a trial consignment which he proposes to distribute from a grass depot at Broach. Orders have accordingly been issued by Government to the Conservator of Forests, C. C., to supply to the Collector 6 lakhs of pounds as a trial consignment from the Nagapur Forests and also, if the consignment goes off well, 29 lakhs which can be made available from the same source. As regards the balance of 115 lakhs the Conservator has been directed to make inquiries as to whence it can be obtained if required.

THE SERVICES AT HOME.

INDIA OFFICE—DEC. 9.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN LONDON.

Major H L Showers, CIE, B	Major A C Baldwain, 9 Punj
Major F Raymond, B	Capt A L Magnine, RE
Capt E Barnes, B	Capt F D Russell 1 B Lrs
Mr H P Duval, B Cov	Capt C L S Seton-Browne, DSO, 55 Coke's R
Mr F C Carleton, B	Capt W F Smith, STC
Mr F A Hadow, B	Capt H Houlton, IMS
Mr M Hunter, M	Capt R L Van der Gucht, STC
Mr R L Swann, M	Lt H Butler, Corps of Sikhs
Lt-Col H A Carleton, 12 Cav	Lt P C Sanders, 15 Sikhs
Lt-Col W J K Dobbin, 51, Sikhs	Lt O F Smith, 9 Hodson's H
Lt-Col A F Hogge, 23 Sikhs	Lt H B Steen, IMS
Lt-Col W Huskisson, RE	Second Lt G F G Fraser 94 Russell's Inf
Lt-Col C E Macdonald, 6 Cav	Miss M E Harvey, QAMNSI
Major F A Maxwell, VC, DSO, 18 Tiwana Lrs	Miss C S Cusin, QAMNSI
Capt G B Gough, 20 Punj	

EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

Lt-Col Morehead B Cov, 2 week's furl	Major E M Jackson, 88th Carn I, 2 weeks
Mr W S Cassels, B Cov, 6 mo MC	Major F W Gee, IMS, 3 mo
Mr S W Arundel, B, 5 mo furl	Capt E F Harding, 83 WLI, 3 mo MC
Mr T Butler, B, furl to Feb 4, 1905	Capt A McKendrick, IMS, 1 mo MC
Mr H Podly, B, furl extended to await decision as to retirement	Capt H O H Moore, RE, 3 mo MC
Capt F B Foulkes, M, 4MS, furl from June 4, 1904, to Nov 18, 1904, converted into study leave	Lt H E Parkhurst, 5 Dn Gds, 2 mo C
Mr A R Cumming, M Cov, furl to Feb 17, 1905	Lt H E Reinhold, 27 Punj 3 mo MC
	Lt W C R Savage, 32 Lrs, 3 mo MC
	Engineer G E Wood, RIM, 2 mo MC

PERMITTED TO RETURN.

Lt-Col R E S Davis, IMS, B	Lt-Col W Huskisson, RE
Major F E Bradshaw, B Return cancelled; permitted to resire	Lt-Col H E Stanton, RA
	Major A G Medley, 19 Lrs
Major H T Dennys, B	Major F A Hogton, 74 Punj
Mr L E Morshead, B Cov	Major W S Delamain, 123 Outram's R
Mr A L H Palmer, B	Major C B Tempier, 19 Lrs
Mr H V Jones, B	Capt R E E Krickenbeck, 119 P
Mr F Bickerls, B	Capt A Spitfeler, IMS
Mr C R Bagley, B	Capt A K Hoyland, 34 Poona Horse
Mr R H Smart, B	Lt G Crasier, 6 Cav
Mr E H Sheridan, B	Lt A D Reid, 52 Sikhs
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DAMAGES AWARDED TO A RAILWAY PASSENGER.

APPEAL COURT'S JUDGMENT.

SIR LAWRENCE JENKINS, Chief Justice, and the Hon. Mr. Justice Batchelor at the High Court yesterday delivered judgment in the appeal preferred by the G. I. P. Railway Company, from a judgment of Mr. Justice Tyebji, delivered on 14th July last, in which he had awarded to Keshavjilsar, a mill-mukadam, altogether Rs. 24,000 as damages for injuries sustained by the Company's default on 30th March, 1903, at the ion station. The plaintiff's case was that the train over shot the platform, the station was imperfectly lighted; and that he in alighting, fell down, and injured his thigh which has resulted in a permanent shortening of his leg. The Judge of the Lower Court had apportioned the damages as follows:—For medical charges Rs. 4,000; compensation for physical pain, Rs. 5,000 and for loss of business and income, Rs. 15,000. On the application of the defendants, fresh evidence was recorded by the Hon. Mr. Justice Batchelor in the Appeal Court to the effect that the firm of Messrs. N. N. Wadia and Co. did not dismiss Keshavji from employment as mukadam of their three mills in consequence of his having been unable to attend to his work on account of the accident, but he was dismissed on account of his having in, fringed a condition of contract, received and retain, ed certain allowances relating to purchases in cotton which he was not entitled to and which amounted to illegal gratification. The Hon. Mr. Scott, Advocate-General, with Mr. Robertson, instructed by Messrs. Little and Co., appeared for the appellants and defendants, the Railway Company, Mr. Lowndes with Mr. Strangman, instructed by Messrs Smetham, Byrne and Noble, appeared for the respondent and the plaintiff.

Mr. Justice Batchelor delivered the judgment of the Court. After discussing the evidence recorded in the Lower Court and in the Appeal Court, and the legal authorities hearing on the subject, his Lordship stated that the plaintiff said the slope of the platform on which he alighted was in complete darkness, but this the defendants denied. Whether there was sufficient twilight at the time to distinguish objects by, was a matter of great uncertainty; and on this point, the almanacks could not be regarded as perfectly satisfactory. According to it, the sun set on that day at 6-12 p.m.; forty minutes after the sun set, this occurrence took place. It became, therefore, necessary to visit the scene of the occurrence, and this suggestion was welcomed by counsel on both sides. It was carried out on the 8th instant, at forty minutes after sunset, when, according to the authorities of the meteorological observatory, conditions similar to those obtaining on the day of the accident would be found. From what was noticed by the Judges on that evening, they came to the conclusion that the cause of the accident was due to the plaintiff's own carelessness, and the Company could not be charged with negligence. The circumstances of the twilight and of the lamplight supplied them with weighty evidence, and they found after making repeated allowance, that there was sufficient light to safely alight by. The interior of the train was lighted, and the lamps projected a good deal of light below, no person possessing a fairly ordinary eyesight was unlikely to descend safely out of the carriage. The second-class compartment, in which the plaintiff travelled, had two separate footboards, the lower one being only twenty inches from the ground. The plaintiff, being an old man of heavy build, his case was like that stated by Mr. Justice Willis, in which the man chose to jump, and injured himself. No negligence being attributable to the Company, the appeal was allowed with costs throughout, and the decree of the Lower Court was reversed.

On the application of Mr. Strangman, the Judges reviewed the order about costs. After hearing Mr. Strangman and the Hon. the Advocate-General, their Lordships said they did not dissent from Mr. Justice Tyebji's order in reference to costs made in the application for review. The appellants would get all their costs in the Appeal Court; they would get only three-fourths of their costs in the Lower Court, as some time was spent in taking evidence on the point of over-shooting and so forth.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

The following are excerpts from the proceedings of a meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay, held on the 13th December.

Submitted letter from the Port Officer, dated 5th October 1904, forwarding a statement showing the great increase in the duties of the Assistant Dock Masters and the two Berthing Masters during the last five years, as regards which he has satisfied himself by numerous visits to the Docks at all times of the day; stating that, as pointed out in the report by the Senior Dock Master, if the members of his staff are to be allowed to recoup their health by leave periodically, as is the case in other departments he has no hesitation in affirming that an increase to the staff by one Berthing Master is necessary. Submitted minute by the Chairman, concurred in by the other members of the Docks Committee, dated 5th December 1904, stating that the Establishment was fixed at its present strength, namely, 2 Dock Masters, 2 Assistant Dock Masters and 2 Berthing Masters in 1885 on the opening of the Victoria Dock; that in 1899-01 the number of ships docked and undocked was 1,379 with tonnage 2,256,000, last year it was 1,870 with tonnage 4,323,000—showing a large increase. The work including shifting vessels in the Docks has increased and is increasing and advising that there is a case for the employment of an additional Berthing Master and that the pay should be that recently fixed for this class, namely, Rs. 200—10—250 plus Rs. 50 House rent.

Resolution,—The appointment of an additional Berthing Master on Rs. 200—10—250 with Rs. 50 house rent is sanctioned.

Submitted letter from the Chief Engineer, dated 3rd October 1904, forwarding copies of correspondence with the Executive Engineer, Municipality together with a plan regarding the lighting of the roads on the Apollo Reclamation not yet handed over to the Municipality, requesting sanction to the Executive Engineer, Municipality, being asked to provide the 8 lamps, as shown on the plan, at a total estimated cost of Rs. 737, and recommending that the Trustees agree to pay for the lighting of the lamps with oil as suggested by the Executive Engineer until the gas mains are laid, provided they are laid within a period of say three months from the date of the handing over of the roads the cost of each oil lamp being Rs. 3-8-0 per month.

Read letter from the Executive Engineer, Municipality, dated 27th October 1904, in reply to a reference, stating that the Board will be charged for providing and fixing lamps complete ready for use the same amount of the bill that may be preferred by the Gas Company who will be entrusted with the work, though there is no likelihood of the amount of Rs 737 for the 8 lamps being exceeded; mentioning further that the Municipality cannot give an undertaking for lighting the lamps after the expiration of three months from the date the roads are taken over by the Municipality for being declared public, but will allow the roads to be lighted by the Port Trustees with oil lamps placed at a distance of 100 feet each till the incandescent lamps are ready for being lighted with gas and, if desired, the Municipality will undertake to provide and light the oil lamps, on the Port Trust agreeing to pay all the costs incidental to such lighting till the roads could be lit with gas.

Resolution.—The provision of 8 gas lamps at a total estimated cost of Rs. 737 is sanctioned to the debit of the estimate for the road, and as a temporary measure the roads should be lighted with oil lamps provided by the Municipality, the Port Trust paying for the lighting at an estimated cost of Rs. 3-8-0 per month each until such time as gas mains are laid.

The following were amongst the papers laid on the table :—

PILOTAGE STATEMENT.

	For week ending 4th Dec 1904.	Total from 1st to 4th Dec 1904.	For week ending 5th Dec 1903.	Total from 1st April to 4th Dec 1903.
Vessels piloted into harbour	34	801	24	785
Do. ,, out of ,, ...	24	802	23	755
Do. transported	24	634	28	711
Do. attended to	...	38	...	54
Do. warped	2	22	...	12

THE SITUATION IN EUROPE.

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To-day things were different. What would a nation gain to-day, if it overthrew one of its maritime rivals? It would, perhaps, destroy the economic organisation of its adversary, but it would undoubtedly at the same time inflict the gravest damage upon its own commerce. It would be doing the work of these others, who would gladly take the vacant places in the markets of the world and comfortably establish themselves there. The evil consequences would be permanent, and among them he reckoned the hatred and the bitterness which often continued for decades after the conclusion of a war, and frequently exercised and hypotic effect upon the former foes. Germany and France knew what that meant. The practical lesson of these consideration might be drawn in language which he would repeat before the House:—I cannot conceive that the idea of an Anglo-German war should be seriously entertained by sensible people in either country. They will cooly consider the enormous damage which even the most successful war of this character would upon their own country, and when they reckon it out it will be found that the stake is much too high in view of the certain loss. For this reason, gentlemen I, for my part, do not take the hostility of a section of the English Press too tragically. I hope that the destinies of the two countries will always be determined by those cool heads who that the best advantage of Germany and England will be served not only for the present, but for all future time—so far as it is discernable to the human eye—by the maintenance of the present pacific relations." (General cheers.)

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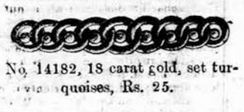

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THE KEYS OF RUSSIA.

"Let Great Britain take such course as she pleases, History, and possibly her contemporaries, will pass their verdict on this defiance of logic and contempt of the world's peace!" This was the comment of Prince Gortschak off when the Russians being almost at the gates of Constantinople, a British fleet passed swiftly through the Dardanelles and dropped anchor within sight of, and so saved, the Turkish capital. But then there existed a state of war between the two Powers most concerned in the Dardanelles the keys of our house, as Alexander I called the Straits. There is peace between those two Powers to-day when Russia proposes to re-open the whole question afresh in spite of all past pronouncements by European diplomatists. Before the Black Sea fleet was built the Sultan declared that he would as soon tolerate a stranger in his harem as a foreign vessel on the Black sea. Yet having built her warships there, and obtained permission to send purely commercial ships through the Straits, Russia raised her Volunteer fleet when at loggerheads with England nineteen years ago, and six years later sent them with arms and troops on board from the Black Sea to the Pacific and back again. This was in direct contravention of all agreements just as was the recent passing of the vessels which became cruisers as soon as the Straits were left behind.

THE "IAM" BANK

Apropos of religious revivals, here is a story of Moody and Sankey, who created such a furore when first they appeared in England. Before an audience which included some of the most distinguished people in England, Mr. Moody compared God to a banker, head of "the Great I Am Bank," and made all sorts of jokes which uncharitably interpreted came perilously near the blasphemous, as for exemple when the man presented his cheque. Here y are says "I Am." There were roars of laughter throughout that sermon and only the most kindly of friends could have left without a feeling of disgust. But it was in that manner that the evangelists "got there," to borrow their own idiom. One of their most devoted admirers was Lord Chancellor Cairns, who attended as many of their meetings as possible, and in many ways, befriended the missioners.

STEALING NO CRIME.

A sailor has been committed for trial to answer a charge of destroying a legal document. If, instead of thrusting the instrument into the fire, the man had run away with it, there might have been complications interesting to lawyers. Once a man was charged before Chief justice Jarvis with burglary in a dwelling-house, and with stealing therefrom certain goods and chattels. The "goods and chattels" consisted of a mortgage deed. It was for that the prisoner had gone; it was that alone he took. The deed was held as security by the man into whose house he had broken. The stealing of the document by the prisoner was held to be no stealing. The mortgage deed as a security was a "chosen in action"; that is to say, in layman language, the property was, as it were, in a state of suspended animation, but had the mortgage been paid off, the theft would have been a theft. The parchment on which the transaction was recorded and the wax with which it was sealed would have made it a chattel to be stolen.

CRADLED AT WATERLOO.

A woman has just died who was born on the scene of battle during the Napoleonic wars. There was recently living in a town in Germany a woman who was born actually on the field of Waterloo while the battle was raging. Her mother, an Irish woman of noble family, had married a German officer and followed him to the wars. She was present at every battle in the Peninsula in which he fought. Then she went into Belgium, and on the night before Waterloo she with another woman lay out for hours in the wet under trees and hedges. While the battle was still raging she was taken ill, and carried into a shed where her babe was born. It was a terrible cradle for the little one; it had been used as a field hospital, and all around lay the shattered limbs which the surgeons had amputated. But child and mother throve. The babe was christened "Waterloo," and lived to marry and settle down in Hanover.

FITTING MEMORIALS.

When Stonewall Jackson had been sightseeing in England someone asked him what in this country most impressed him. His reply was startling: "The pointed windows of York Minster." Will the Gladstone window in Liverpool Cathedral, the fund for which has now been completed, similarly impress some warrior of a future generation? one wonders. It will be satisfactory to them, at any rate, to know that two of our greatest Victorians, Gladstone and Lord Salisbury, were deeply interested in the building which commemorates the first-named. Lord Salisbury, only a month before his death, gave £1,000 to the Cathedral fund. The impressions of our visitors to the cathedrals are always interesting. The Maori chiefs who were over here twenty years ago went specially to Lichfield to see the tomb of the Bishop of Selwyn. "They have laid him on a New Zealand mat as a chieftain should lie," was their comment

A CLASSIC BLUNDER.

Among the effects of the late Duke of Cambridge sold by auction was a Vinegar Bible. But why "Vinegar Bible"? The edition gets its name from a blunder which it contains. Printed at the Clarendon Press in 1717, it has the word "vinegar" instead of "vineyard" in the running headline of Luke xxii. There is always a market for Bibles which contain slips of this sort, and it is not at all improbable that in the old days unscrupulous printers deliberately mutilated the text in setting it up. This does not apply to the Clarendon Press, but the Vinegar Bible is not the only book of theirs to attain notoriety. University undergraduates broke into their office one night, so the story runs, and substituted the letter "k" for "v." The result was to create a precedent for Mr. George Meredith's pronouncement for leasehold marriages. For it made the marriage ceremony read: "Wilt thou have this woman to be thy wife . . . and keep thee unto her as long as ye both shall like?" The same change was made in the question put to the bride.

THE PRICE OF JOY.

A woman who had not seen her son for ten years has died of joy at meeting him. Violent emotion born of joy may be as fatal to a weak heart as that produced by fear or agony. A sudden shock will sometimes restore the apparently dying to vigour. A lady whose life seemed ebbing fast from her, heard someone mention the name of Gladstone, whom she could not bear, "Wretch!" she said, sat up and got better. And did not the great Sarah Duchess of Marlborough defy her doctors and recover to disprove their saying that she must either be blistered or die! But of the fatal effects of joy there are many instances. One well authenticated one takes us back to the reign of Elizabeth. A man who longed for the restoration of the Protestant faith for which he had suffered much under Mary heard the churchbells ringing, and surmised that it might herald the death of Mary and accession of Elizabeth. He sent his son to see if this were true, and bade him wave his handkerchief as a confirmatory signal. The son went, learned the truth, waved his handkerchief, and the oldman fell dead as he was breathing a prayer of thankfulness.

THE IMMOVABLE.

One man's joy is another man's commonplace. Rauch, the great Berlin sculptor, in whom love of Greek art was a passion, was once taken to the British Museum, where they showed him some perfect specimens of Greek coins. He gazed for some time at them in silence, and then they saw tears streaming down his face. "To-day I have seen for the first time the perfection of beauty exactly as it came from the hands of those who created it," he said. Napoleon was not ordinarily given to emotion, but once he broke down when he saw one of his generals, between whom and himself there had been a misunderstanding, lying dead. "I regret that before the battle I did not tell him that I had forgotten everything," was his sorrowful comment. Queen Victoria was greatly moved at the distribution of the Crimean medals, but her grief was not apparent to those less sympathetic. "Was the Queen touched?" a lady asked Lord Panmure. "Bless my soul, no," was the reply. "She had a brass railing before her and no one could touch her." "I mean was she moved?" the lady continued, and was answered, "Moved! she had no occasion to move!"

FATAL CURES.

Apropos of the evidence given at an inquest recently that a woman became addicted to the use of the drug which killed her from the time that it was prescribed for her by a doctor, a chemist who dispenses for more than one general practitioner tells the writer that doctors themselves have occasionally something to answer for in this matter. A patient's prescription mentions a well-known preparation. It serves its purpose at the time, but the symptoms for which it is applied being cured, the continued use of the article becomes dangerous. Still that patient will continue, on the strength of the prescription, to get this drug, and will recommend its use to friends to whom it may be actually injurious. How should this be remedied? Simply by doctors never describing any advertised drug in such a manner that it may be indentified by the patient. There are, of course, other sides to the question, but such a safeguard is, the informant says, absolutely essential in the case of one ever so little inclined to hypochondria.

AN INTERESTED PARTY.

Certain grand jurors failed to put in an appearance lately to all charge the duties to which they were called. They were engaged in business so profitable that it is to be hoped they would not be losers on the deal when they were fined £10 a man. Out-of-works wish to be summoned and paid for jury-service, but it has been pointed out that inasmuch as they are already out-of-work they cannot incur loss by attending court, and therefore are debarred from payment. What a pity that there cannot be combined business and duty in the manner pursued by a man who appeared before Sir James Hannen; He was in deep mourning and claimed exemption on the ground that he was interested in the funeral of a gentleman that day at which he desired to be present. "Oh, certainly," said the courteous judge, and the man went sad-acedly away. "Do you know the man you have exempted?" asked the clerk. "No, said Sir James. "He is an undertaker" was the reply.

MITRES, like crowns, are not always easy for the heads that have to wear them, and Bishop Winnington Ingram evidently finds the mitre of the See of London a rather heavy one, not only for his head but also for his pocket, for he told his hearers at a meeting that he was £5,000 poorer at the end of three years than when he became Bishop of London. He has to keep four horses, which cost him nearly £900 a year, his annual coal bill is £250, and his gardens and ten gardeners cost over £700. These are only minor expenses, writes a home paper, for the items of maintenance and repairs of houses absorb about £2,800 each year, and he has to pay nearly £380 for electric light and gas. It is impossible not to sympathise with a Bishop who has to suffer under this burden of luxurious state. He himself would probably prefer more Apostolic simplicity, but so long as the Church endeavours to keep up the tradition that the bishop is an earthly magnate as well as a lord spiritual, sufferers with mitres must make the best of it. But if a bachelor Bishop of London finds the financial burden of the See so heavy, it suggests the thought that it is an unreformed bishopric, the condition of which requires attention.

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But how seldom the exhausted nervous system receives the right treatment. In many cases stimulants are resorted to, which give merely fictitious and temporary strength to the nerves, but actually leave them more weakened and worn out than before. If the nervous system be exhausted it really requires a remedy that will assist the nervous system to assimilate nourishment from the ordinary food, and will at the same time supply the vital nerve elements which are lost under the strain of overwork. Such a remedy is found in

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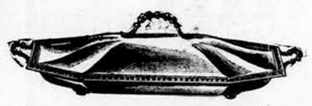

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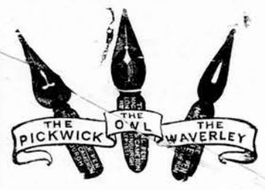

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